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Green Line extension set to open this month

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. has announced that the Commissioner for Metro Railway Safety has granted authorisation for the revenue service of the Namma Metro Green Line extension between Nagasandra and Madavara.

The approval came after the CMRS officials conducted a statutory inspection of the section on October 3.

Officials hope the long-delayed stretch on Tumakuru Road will be operational by mid-October.

This extension, spanning 3.7 km, faced a five-year delay due to challenges in land acquisition near NICE Road and disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The elevated extension includes three stations: Manjunathnagar, Chikkabidarakallu, and Madavara.

At least 28 Naxalites killed in Chhattisgarh operation

This is the second-highest tally of Naxal casualties in any operation in the State; the number of insurgents killed this year touches 185; one policeman injured in grenade blast in Bastar region

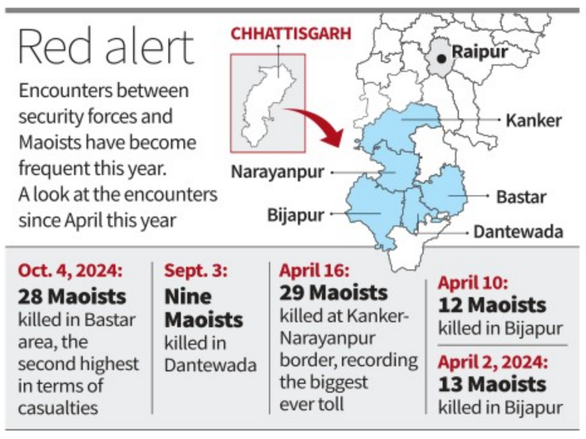
Shubhomoy Sikdar
RAIPUR

At least 28 Naxalites were killed by security forces in a gunfight in Chhattisgarh's Bastar region on Friday, according to the police.

One policeman was injured in a grenade blast during the operation.

The gunfight began around 1 p.m. in the Abujhmad area of Narayanpur district in the left-wing extremism-affected Bastar region. At 8 p.m., the police provided the final number of bodies recovered, after which Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai congratulated the forces in a post on X.

"In a fierce encounter between security forces and Naxalites in the border area of Narayanpur and Dantewada districts, reports suggest that 28 Naxalites have been killed. This major achievement by our brave soldiers is commendable. I salute their courage and indomitable spirit," Mr. Sai said.



Arms found

In a statement issued earlier in the day, the police said a joint team of security forces from Dantewada and Narayanpur set out on an operation after receiving specific information about the presence of Naxalites in Abujhmad, a largely unsurveyed area in southern Bastar. The clash broke out around 1 p.m., after which firing continued at regular intervals. An AK47 rifle, a Self Loading Rifle and other weapons were found at the site of encounter, the police said.

After Friday's anti-Naxal operation – the second biggest in terms of casualties inflicted by the State this year and in the conflict zone's history – the number of Naxals killed by the forces this year has shot up to 185.

There has been a surge in anti-Naxal operations since the new BJP government came to power in December 2023. Mr. Sai's post on X added: "Our fight to eliminate Naxalism will only end when we achieve complete success, and for this, our double-engine government is fully committed. The eradication of Naxalism from the State is our ultimate goal."

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Jaishankar to visit Pak. for SCO meet

Suhasini Haidar
NEW DELHI

In the first such visit in nearly a decade, External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar will travel to Islamabad to attend the Heads of Government meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) on October 15 and 16, the Centre announced on Friday.

The Ministry of External Affairs said Mr. Jaishankar's visit was "mainly" for the SCO grouping's meeting, given India's focus on "regional cooperation mechanisms". No bilateral meetings on the sidelines have been decided thus far, it added.

The last time an Indian External Affairs Minister travelled to Pakistan was Sushma Swaraj in 2015 for the Heart of Asia conference and bilateral talks.

"Mr. Jaishankar will be leading India's delegation to the SCO meeting," MEA spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal told journalists at a briefing. "As and when the programme develops, the visit develops, we will keep you informed," he said, when asked if there was any request from Pakistan for a bilateral meeting with its Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar. According to sources, it is also unclear whether Mr. Jaishankar will stay in Islamabad overnight on October 16, as he may return to New Delhi the same day. Mr. Jaishankar may arrive for the SCO meeting on October 16 by a special flight and return to New Delhi the same day.

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Minister pledges help to Sri Lanka

COLOMBO
External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar on Friday met Sri Lanka's new President Anura Kumara Dissanayake, and pledged India's "full support" to the nation's economic recovery. » PAGE 15

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Metro fares likely to go up

BENGALURU
Metro fares are likely to go up soon. BMRCL is anticipating an increase of 15-25%, with officials noting that the last revision of 10-15% was in 2017. BMRCL has asked citizens to submit suggestions about the proposed revision. » Page 2

Caste census: CM to be urged to implement report

BENGALURU
A delegation led by four former chairpersons of the State backward classes commission will meet Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday to apprise him of the need to implement the caste census report. » Page 10

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Ashwin and Jadeja: the multidimensional cheat code for India's dominance

Any opposition running into the pair is asking for trouble, given their game-changing ability with both bat and ball. While there is no denying the pressing need for a seam-bowling all-rounder overseas, let's celebrate these modern greats, instead of only worrying about the next Kapil Dev

K.C. Vijaya Kumar

Cricket's primordial roots are often linked to that massive hoick into a neighbour's window or that lightning-quick delivery that sends the stumps cartwheeling. Yes, there will be that shadow-playing of a forward defensive block or the fine-tuning of the final delivery flexion on dreary summer days within office corridors. But this is the adult reflex weighed down by home loans and existential angst.

But cast your eyes back to childhood and most sporting memories would be associated with an aggressive stroke or a sliver of speed dismantling the timber. Back then scaling a wall to steal a mango or pedalling downhill on a cycle and screaming your lungs out were all part of the business of being alive. Some ground beneath the feet, the skies above, air to breathe and friends to laugh with, were more than enough.

An exotic species

However in all this, both childhood's joy and adulthood's cynicism, there still exists a dichotomy. Either you batted or bowled, even if the underlying attributes varied from patience to combustion. Now imagine a player who can do both with felicity, and there you land up with that exotic species called the all-rounder.

This is like stepping into a basement sale and buying two and getting two more. Four for the price of two and when we dwell upon this mathematical and commercial blessing, perhaps we may be talking about R. Ashwin and Ravindra Jadeja, fresh as we are from India's latest 2-0 Test series triumph over Bangladesh. If their core skills are linked to inflicting death by spin, the two can bat too.

At home, India has Ashwin and Jadeja to fall back upon. But overseas, this protection shrinks as a choice is made between Ashwin and Jadeja while the pacers get more play in the eleven

It is two personnel with four attributes, and any opposition running into them in Indian conditions is asking for trouble. Be it under the Chennai sun or Kanpur's dark clouds, India's luminescence was beamed high by the duo. Ashwin scored 114 runs averaging 57 while Jadeja yielded 94 at 47. Importantly, their 199-run seventh-wicket alliance during the first innings at Chepauk shut Bangladesh out of the contest.

Now add their key resource area, just to throw in some corporate jargon, and you have Ashwin with 11 wickets and Jadeja scalping nine. This double whammy, with spearhead Jasprit Bumrah also grabbing 11, meant that Bangladesh was always down for the count even if the men from Dhaka flew in after registering a 2-0 Test series victory over Pakistan at Rawalpindi.

Dealing with a top-notch all-rounder is like driving on a highway. You see this sleek sports vehicle bearing down and soon the vehicle zooms ahead. Just as you nod in admiration, the same vehicle pops in the rear, overtakes, and at that precise moment the driver winks and blows a kiss. If you are into superstitions, you think about nightmares, and if you dig Sigmund Freud, then welcome to the zone of hallucinations. Either way, shock and awe linger.

Multiple insurance policies

The all-rounder description is now broad-based to include the 'wicketkeeper and batter' combine too. Think Adam Gilchrist, M.S. Dhoni and the latest, Rishabh Pant. But the more classical understanding is linked to someone who can both bat and bowl. While turning out at home, India has Ashwin, Jadeja and Pant to fall back upon, these multiple insurance policies quell risk. But when crossing the seas, this protection shrinks as a choice is made between Ashwin and Jadeja while the pacers get more play in the eleven.

And that's when we stumble into Indian cricket's unrequited love mesh, its eternal quest for the great fast-bowling all-rounder. It is a pursuit dating back to 1994 when the great Kapil Dev finally called it quits. To be fair, just as Kapil was fading, Manoj Prabhakar drew into sight as a dogged opener and an effective seamer, adept at reverse-swing too. But when Prabhakar, wilting under Sanath Jayasuriya's assault, switched to spin in a 1996 World Cup ODI against Sri Lanka, his career ground to a halt. In England, Australia and New Zealand, when the new ball does much more on surfaces organically leaning towards the faster men, batting collapses are imminent and it is there the all-rounder steps in and stems the rot. Then he wears his bowling shoes, steams in hard and inflicts bruises that never heal on the rivals. A seam-bowling all-rounder is a pressing need, and there is no denying that. Even when India won the 1983 World Cup in England, besides Kapil, it had Madan Lal and Roger Binny, who could bowl medium-pace and bat too. Add Mohinder Amarnath with his gentle seam-up, and it is no surprise that the squad prevailed.

Indian cricket's quest for the next great fast-bowling all-rounder is a pursuit dating back to 1994 when the great Kapil Dev finally called it quits

Much later Ajit Agarkar and Irfan Pathan were seen as probable candidates and the two have a Test hundred each but primarily they were seamers. It also seemed inevitable that Binny's progeny Stuart, with his seam and batting skills, would be tried at the highest level. When India toured England in 2014, Stuart was pencilled in as the essential all-rounder. Just that Stuart could not fill his father's boots, though the youngster tried hard.

Years later, Hardik Pandya was seen as the answer to India's woes. Even if he didn't go the way of a Laxmi Ratan Shukla, one of those early 'next Kapil' candidates, Hardik is now seen as essential to limited-overs cricket. In Tests, there is a query over him lasting five days of rigour, this despite him being a fine athlete on his good days. He last appeared in Test whites in 2018 and India doesn't have the varied riches it owned when Sachin Tendulkar, Sourav Ganguly, Virender Sehwag and Yuvraj Singh turned out.

This quartet batted and could bowl too. Tendulkar would spin and swing; Ganguly, never express, still probed with his gentle speed; and Sehwag and Yuvraj, frenetic with the bat, preferred the opposite trait with the ball, being slow peddlers of turn. India doesn't have such options now even if Rahul Dravid called Virat Kohli a 'wrong-footed in-swinging menace'. Rohit Sharma does fancy some spin, still the assurance that Tendulkar and company gave as bowlers, doesn't exist. This adds more pressure on the search for the genuine all-rounder.

AFP/AP

The blue-chip era

In India, Ashwin and Jadeja excel, but they are ageing too. And abroad, there is an issue as a seam-bowling all-rounder is yet to surface. You won't be blamed if thoughts veer towards the 1980s when Kapil, Imran Khan, Ian Botham and Richard Hadlee reigned as blue-chip all-rounders. The first three could walk into any eleven either as a pure batter or pure bowler. Hadlee could bat too. These were proud men, convinced that they could walk on water.

Even as veterans in the early 1990s, some of them excelled. There is a spell that Botham bowled to a young Tendulkar in the 1992 World Cup game at Perth. The pace was gone but the wily craftsman had the Mumbaikar in all kinds of trouble before luring the edge. Or who can forget Kapil's four consecutive sixes off Eddie Hemmings to avoid the follow-on at Lord's in 1990?

For now India has Ashwin (3,423 runs and 527 wickets in Tests) and Jadeja (3,130 and 303), and as coach Gautam Gambhir said, maybe it is time to celebrate our spinners who can bat, instead of worrying about the next Kapil.

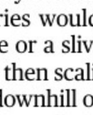
STACKING UP

ATP Men's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Jannik Sinner	23	11,180	18
2	Alexander Zverev	27	6,875	23
3	Carlos Alcaraz	21	6,690	17
4	Novak Djokovic	37	5,560	18
5	Daniil Medvedev	28	5,475	18
6	Andrey Rublev	26	4,645	25
7	Taylor Fritz	26	4,060	22
8	Hubert Hurkacz	27	4,060	22
9	Casper Ruud	25	4,010	23
10	Grigor Dimitrov	33	3,920	20
11	Alex de Minaur	25	3,655	23
12	Stefanos Tsitsipas	26	3,390	23
13	Tommy Paul	27	3,005	21
14	Holger Rune	21	2,780	25
15	Frances Tiafoe	26	2,560	25

Top Indians ▶

Sumit Nagal
Rank 83 ▼ 1 spot



Ramkumar Ramanathan
Rank 335 ▲▼ No change

WTA Women's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Iga Swiatek	23	10,885	19
2	Aryna Sabalenka	26	8,716	18
3	Jessica Pegula	30	6,220	21
4	Elena Rybakina	25	5,871	19
5	Jasmine Paolini	28	5,348	20
6	Coco Gauff	20	4,983	19
7	Qinwen Zheng	21	3,920	20
8	Emma Navarro	23	3,698	26
9	Danielle Collins	30	3,178	19
10	Barbora Krejcikova	28	3,161	16
11	Daria Kasatkina	27	3,020	24
12	Beatriz Haddad Maia	28	2,981	26
13	Jelena Ostapenko	27	2,963	22
14	Anna Kalinskaya	25	2,725	21
15	Liudmila Samsonova	25	2,720	26

Top Indians ▶

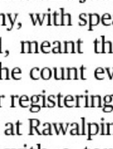
Sahaja Yamalapalli
Rank 295 ▲ 3 spots

Ankita Raina
Rank 309 ▲ 27 spots

F1 Drivers' standings

#	Driver	Team	Points	Wins
1	Max Verstappen	Red Bull	331	7
2	Lando Norris	McLaren	279	3
3	Charles Leclerc	Ferrari	245	2
4	Oscar Piastri	McLaren	237	2
5	Carlos Sainz	Ferrari	190	1
6	Lewis Hamilton	Mercedes	174	2
7	George Russell	Mercedes	155	1
8	Sergio Perez	Red Bull	144	0
9	Fernando Alonso	Aston Martin	62	0
10	Nico Hulkenberg	Haas	24	0
11	Lance Stroll	Aston Martin	24	0
12	Yuki Tsunoda	RB	22	0
13	Alex Albon	Williams	12	0
14	Daniel Ricciardo	RB	12	0
15	Pierre Gasly	Alpine	8	0
16	Oliver Bearman	Haas	7	0
17	Kevin Magnussen	Haas	6	0
18	Esteban Ocon	Alpine	5	0
19	Franco Colapinto	Williams	4	0
20	Zhou Guanyu	Sauber	0	0

Max Verstappen



Lando Norris

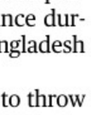
F1 Constructors' standings

Pos	Team	Points	Wins
1	McLaren	516	5
2	Red Bull	475	7
3	Ferrari	441	3
4	Mercedes	329	3
5	Aston Martin	86	0
6	RB	34	0
7	Haas	31	0
8	Williams	16	0
9	Alpine	13	0
10	Sauber	0	0

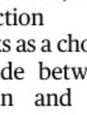
Badminton Men's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	Shi Yu Qi	101,815	18
2	Viktor Axelsen	93,790	14
3	Anders Antonsen	84,241	22
4	Kodai Naraoka	84,197	22
5	Lee Zii Jia	83,716	22
6	Li Shi Feng	82,996	18
7	Jonatan Christie	82,117	17
8	Kunlavut Vitidsarn	80,458	17
9	Chou Tien Chen	71,877	30
10	Anthony Sinisuka Ginting	71,835	19
11	Loh Kean Yew	64,233	23
12	Lin Chun-Yi	62,801	28
13	Kenta Nishimoto	62,262	25
14	Koki Watanabe	61,034	20
15	Weng Hong Yang	59,930	19

Top Indians ▶



Prannoy H. S.
Rank 18



Lakshya Sen
Rank 20

Badminton Women's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	An Se Young	105,917	13
2	Chen Yu Fei	103,482	15
3	Wang Zhi Yi	90,895	19
4	Carolina Marin	87,736	14
5	Tai Tzu Ying	87,111	18
6	Akane Yamaguchi	81,277	11
7	Han Yue	80,209	21
8	Gregoria Mariska Tunjung	77,062	20
9	Aya Ohori	75,517	24
10	Beiwen Zhang	65,356	21
11	Busanan Ongbamrungphan	63,430	26
12	Supanida Katethong	62,874	23
13	Kim Ga Eun	62,500	18
14	P.V. Sindhu	61,462	14
15	Pornpawee Chochuwong	60,884	22

Top Indians ▶

P.V. Sindhu
Rank 14

Malvika Bansod
Rank 37

Test Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Joe Root	899	923
2	Kane Williamson	829	919
3	Yashasvi Jaiswal	792	792
4	Steve Smith	757	947
5	Usman Khawaja	728	847
6	Virat Kohli	724	937
7	Mohammad Rizwan	720	728
7	Marnus Labuschagne	720	937
9	Daryl Mitchell	718	804
9	Rishabh Pant	718	801

Test Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Jasprit Bumrah	870	881
2	R. Ashwin	869	904
3	Josh Hazlewood	847	864
4	Kagiso Rabada	820	902
4	Pat Cummins	820	914
6	Ravindra Jadeja	809	899
7	Nathan Lyon	801	801
7	Prabath Jayasuriya	801	801
9	Kyle Jamieson	714	836
10	Shaheen Afridi	709	836

ODI Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Babar Azam	824	898
2	Rohit Sharma	765	882
3	Shubman Gill	763	847
4	Virat Kohli	746	909
4	Harry Tector	746	767
6	Daryl Mitchell	728	750
7	Pathum Nissanka	708	728
8	Rahmanullah Gurbaz	692	692
9	Fakhar Zaman	682	784
10	R. van der Dussen	680	796

ODI Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Keshav Maharaj	695	741
2	Rashid Khan	668	799
3	Kuldeep Yadav	665	760
4	Adam Zampa	663	698
5	Josh Hazlewood	656	727
6	Bernard Scholtz	654	659
7	Shaheen Afridi	650	688
8	Jasprit Bumrah	645	838
9	Mohammed Siraj	643	736
9	Trent Boult	643	775

T20I Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Travis Head	881	884
2	Suryakumar Yadav	805	910
3	Philip Salt	800	833
4	Yashasvi Jaiswal	757	779
5	Babar Azam	755	896
6	Mohammad Rizwan	746	875
7	Jos Buttler	702	720
8	Nicholas Pooran	668	668
9	Ruturaj Gaikwad	664	706
10	Josh Inglis	652	652

T20I Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Adil Rashid	721	746
2	Akeal Hosein	695	683
3	Rashid Khan	668	816
4	Gudakesh Motie	664	674
5	Wanindu Hasaranga	663	797
6	Adam Zampa	662	743
7	Fazalhaq Farooqi	645	692
8	Anrich Nortje	642	695
9	Maheesh Theekshana	640	684
10	Josh Hazlewood	639	806

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Namma Metro fares likely to go up, BMRCL invites suggestions

The last revision of 10% to 15% increase was in 2017. Currently, the minimum token fare is ₹10 and maximum is ₹60

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Metro fares are likely to go up soon. Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) is anticipating an increase of 15% to 25%, with officials noting that the last revision of 10% to 15% increase was in 2017.

Currently, the minimum token fare is ₹10, while the maximum is ₹60. Smart card users get a 5% discount, a reduction from the earlier 15% discount that was lowered in 2020 to balance operational costs.

BMRCL released a notice inviting citizens to submit suggestions to the metro rail Fare Fixation Committee (FFC) about revision, with the deadline set for October 21.

Suggestions can be submitted to the committee via an email to ffc@bmrc.co.in or by post to BMRCL's head office until October 21.

The fare structure needs to reflect the rising costs, such as for operation, maintenance, and staffing, said an official. JAHNAVI T.R.

The Fare Fixation Committee is a statutory body formed to determine the fares for metro rail services in India.

The fare needs to reflect the rising costs, such as operation cost, maintenance, and staffing operates with quasi-judicial powers.

"The FFC was established under the Metro Railway (Operations and Maintenance) Act, 2002, particularly Sections 33 and 34, which grant it the responsibility to review and revise fares based on various factors like operational costs, passenger demand, and expert input," an official explained.

"The FFC will consider inputs from all stakeholders before arriving at a final decision. The fare needs to reflect the rising costs, such as for operation, maintenance, and staffing," the official said.

'Fares already high'

Priya, a marketing executive who travels to Whitefield regularly, said, "The current fares are already on the higher side when compared to other public transport options in the city. Bus costs are really cheap. Now, when the metro is expanding, they have to lower the fare."

Rahul, a software engineer commuting between Yeshwanthpur and M.G. Road, said, "The metro is a lifeline for us, but increasing fares is not good when everything is costly. Many of us rely on the metro to avoid Bengaluru's traffic, but this might force people back into using buses or bikes."

In 2021, the BMRCL introduced the National Common Mobility Card (NCMC) system, allowing seamless travel across different modes of public transport.

Bomb threat on email to three engineering colleges turns out to be hoax

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Three engineering colleges in the city received an email claiming to alert them to a "Hydrogen-based IED" placed on their premises on Friday afternoon.

The police pressed the bomb detection and disposal squad and dog squads at the three locations, carried out extensive anti-sabotage checks and determined that the threats were a hoax.

BMS College of Engineering, Bangalore Institute of Technology, and M.S. Ramaiah Institute of Technology received the email at around 1 p.m.

"As soon as we received the email, a complaint was lodged at the Basavanagudi police station. The students were immediately evacuated from the college. As no bomb was found, it was found to be a fake bomb threat email," said Bheemsha, Principal of BMS College of Engineering, Basavanagudi.

"The police are probing the genesis of this email. We have taken all necessary security measures including metal detectors being installed in our college. Students need not worry," said J. Prakash, Vice Principal of Bangalore Institute of Technology.

Bangalore Institute of Technology in Bengaluru. K. MURALI KUMAR

T.N. BJP leader

The email, purportedly from Tamil Nadu Bharatiya Janata Party leader S.Ve. Shekher, who is also a popular actor and former MLA, claims that "bombs were placed in select colleges" to divert media attention from "the imminent Jaffer Sadiq case involving the DMK".

The email claims that "TN DGP Shankar Jiwal has colluded with Pak ISI cells in Coimbatore to carry out this operation in selected colleges".

The email also concludes by asking colleges not to mention "his or IPS officer V. Balakrishnan's involvement" in alerting them.

A senior city police official said it had now come to their notice that similar emails were sent to institutions with such claims in the name of the TN BJP leader in Tamil Nadu. "We have registered a case and are trying to track down the IP address of the system used to send this email," he said.

It can be recalled that schools in Bengaluru had received similar hoax bomb threat emails in 2022 and 2023. Probe into both the cases hit a dead end and remains unsolved.

Chargesheet filed in sexual assault case

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The H.S.R. Layout police filed a 555-page chargesheet in the court on Friday in connection with the sexual assault of a 21-year-old woman on August 18.

The accused, identified as Mukeshwaran, 24, hailing from Adugodi, was arrested within hours of the incident.

Statements from 86 witnesses have been recorded, and those of four key ones were taken under section 164 of the CrPC.

Bite marks on the victim matched that with the accused Mukeshwaran and this is a key piece of evidence in the case, police sources said.

According to the police, the accused, intoxicated at the time, encountered the victim in distress on the roadside while returning home in the early hours. Mukeshwaran offered her a ride, which she accepted.

The victim, who had attended a dinner party in Koramangala, was on her way back to her flat in Chandapura near Anekal.

'To become an astronaut, love science, do science, and become science'

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

"To become an astronaut, the only thing one needs to do is love science, do science and become science," said astronaut Group Captain Angad Pratap. He was delivering a talk on "Who Can Become Astronaut?" on Friday as part of the World Space Week celebration.

"To become an astronaut is basically to commit your life to the cause of space, research, and science. It is not about getting famous or getting a space ride, or seeing Earth from space that all of us can do sitting here on Earth in a video as well. So choose carefully," he said.

Group Captain Pratap, who is one of the four astronauts selected for India's maiden human spaceflight mission, Gaganyaan, said as of February 2024, only 681 people have gone to space, while the estimated number of people believed to have lived on Earth until today is approximately

Group Captain Angad Pratap

Group Captain Pratap, is one of the four astronauts selected for India's maiden human spaceflight mission, Gaganyaan. He says so far only 681 people have gone to space

around 117 billion.

Core quality

He said the core qualities to become an astronaut are honesty and integrity, stress-taking capability, team person, cognitive skills, core knowledge set, skilled knowledge set, critical thinking, real-time decision-making, rejection handling capacity, gratitude along with the ability to stay forced, determined, grounded, physically fit disciplined for years and years together.

Group Captain Pratap also spelt out the average day of an Indian astronaut, which includes yoga training, supervised nutrition, core academic training, technical meetings with scientists, simulator training, aeromedical training, parallel core education, human-machine interface development, physician and psychological training, para jumping among others.

To become an astronaut

He said applications for becoming an ISRO astronaut would be invited.

There would be medical and psychological evaluations. "The expected age of applicants would be below 35 years, and credit would be given for core academic competence, meaningful science research work, skill sets, sports achievements, non-technical qualifications and professional jet flying experience," he said.

He added that astronauts would be classified into three different categories, similar to the batting line-up of a cricket team, which are openers or pioneer astronauts, middle order or stabiliser astronauts and tailenders or finisher astronauts.

"In the coming decade, the astronauts selected would be in the category of pioneer astronauts or openers. Why I say openers is because the ball is swinging all the way and there is a lot of uncertainty. Nothing is very well defined, and they need to have a lot of patience," he added.

He said scientists from aerospace research, people from academia, and people involved in medicinal research work, along with experimental test pilots, would be most suitable and eligible.

In a letter to Governor, residents of Indiranagar say BBMP has failed them

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

In a letter addressed to the Governor of Karnataka, residents of Indiranagar, backed by six Residents Welfare Associations (RWAs), have accused the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) of neglecting its responsibilities, leading to violations of their right to life.

The letter highlights the failure of BBMP Health and Engineering officials to regulate illegal commercial establishments in residential areas, resulting in public nuisance and safety concerns.

Noise pollution

According to the letter, the RWAs raised issues related to parking problems, noise pollution, and security concerns, attributing them to the unchecked rise of commercial activities in residential zones.

Buildings are allegedly being constructed or renovated without adherence to building bylaws, and the BBMP's trade licence portal shifts the onus of compliance to licensees, the letter stated.

The residents assert that this negligence has led to unregulated and unchecked violations despite BBMP regulations such as the BBMP Act of 2020 and the Revised Master Plan of 2015.

Parking facilties

The RWAs also allege that many trade licences are being issued for establishments without ensuring mandatory parking facilities, pushing commercial vehicles into residential streets and causing hardship for the residents. Valet services that park vehicles far from the establishments have only exacerbated the situation, according to the complaint.

Repeated complaints

Despite repeated complaints and legal petitions dating back to 2018, including ongoing High Court cases, the residents claim that the BBMP has failed to take meaningful action to address their grievances. They have cited multiple pending court cases that seek to challenge the illegal establishment of bars, restaurants, and other commercial ventures in residential areas.

Meanwhile BBMP Commissioner was not available for a comment.

KSRTC to run special buses for festival season from Oct. 9 to 12

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation has made arrangements for a possible surge in the number of travellers during the festival season.

Over 2,000 additional buses will be operated on both intra- and inter-State routes. From October 9 to 12, the special buses will ply from major termini like Kempegowda bus station and the ones at Mysuru Road and Shanthinagar. Special return services to Bengaluru will be available from October 13 to 14.

From October 3 to 15, KSRTC will operate 260 buses exclusively between Bengaluru and Mysuru.

Pilgrimage destinations

As many as 400 buses will connect Mysuru with nearby tourist and pilgrimage destinations. KSRTC is also introducing special one-day package tours that will cover popular tourist and pilgrimage spots near Mysuru.

Pedestrian path encroachment on Church Street cleared, several materials seized

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The BBMP on Friday conducted an encroachment-clearance drive on the pedestrian paths of Church Street and seized several materials. The drive was carried out following repeated warnings issued to shop owners about the illegal occupation of pedestrian pathways. Despite the warnings, many continued to encroach upon the footpaths, causing considerable inconvenience to pedestrians.

The operation targeted both sides of Church Street, with around 50 shops and establishments being cleared of items. The drive spanned approximately 1 km and involved police officers, BBMP officials, and marshals. More than 20 men, two tippers, and six tractors were employed to remove the encroachments. The confiscated materials were taken into BBMP custody. Shop owners have been warned against encroachments.

City gears up for Durga Puja and cultural events; around 250 pandals to be set up

Ipsita Misra
BENGALURU

The upcoming Durga Puja festivities have bridged cultural divides, bringing people together who are planning a variety of programmes and taking part in them. Around 250 pandals will be set up across the city.

This year, there are many new pandals with unique themes. "For idols, we are using eco-friendly materials such as wood, bamboo, conch shells, and red coral," said Tapan Dutta, President of Jayamahal Cultural Association, which has been in Bengaluru for the last 70 years.

A file photo of devotees during the immersion of idols of Goddess Durga at the designated place in Ulsoor Lake in Bengaluru.

Large crowds

In areas such as J.P. Nagar, Whitefield, Electronics City, Ulsoor, and Sarjapur, pandals are expected to attract 4,000 to 5,000 people from the seventh to the final day of Dasara. The most popular pandal put up by the R.T. Nagar Socio-Cultural Trust at Palace Grounds is expected to see a footfall of 40,000-50,000 people daily.

"Sculptors and painters are coming from Kumartuli in Kolkata to make the idols in association with R.T. Nagar Socio-Cultural Trust. *Dhak* (ritual drums) players are coming as well," said Rudra Shankar Roy, patron and adviser to many Durga pujas around Bengaluru.

Cultural unity

"We have a cosmopolitan culture for the puja in Bengaluru, as non-Bengalis also join in the traditional Dhunuchi Naach (a dance done by carrying containers in which incense is burnt). People from all religions, castes, and cultures distribute bhog, and everybody gets together to celebrate Goddess Durga," said Roy.

"The culture is homely, indiscriminate, and people from other cultures can make their offerings the way they are used to," Arnab Mukherjee, Club President, Sanskritik Bengali Association, J.P. Nagar.

Between 800 and 2,000 plates of *bhog* per day are made. They are distributed to not just devotees but also orphanages and associations for the specially-abled.

Cultural performances

There will be performances from renowned artists coming from Kolkata, as well as local artists. The folk music band Bhoomi is also coming to perform in pandals across the city.

"Every year, we get renowned artists to perform at our venue," said Subhashish Bhattacharya, treasurer and core committee member at Electronics City Cultural Association. "Besides that, locals can also perform and attend competitions for drawing, singing, and dancing. We encourage a lot of school children to perform," he said.

Additionally, there will be dandiya and garba dance events held, which will see about 400-500 participants every year around the pandals. "Durga Puja is not only a religious festival but an art form that has evolved over many years," said Dutta. "So we would like to invite people from all cultures to join in the celebrations with us."

GETTY IMAGES

‘Dynamite’ Daniel Dubois smashes his way into the heavyweight world title scene

After destroying fan favourite Anthony Joshua’s redemption arc with a brutal hammering, the IBF champion’s future looks bright. He could await the winner of the Usyk-Fury fight, where the WBA, WBO and WBC belts are on the line, for an opportunity to become the undisputed champion

Ashwin Achal

It was supposed to be just another milestone in Anthony Joshua’s comeback journey. Since suffering a devastating knockout at the hands of journeyman Andy Ruiz in 2019, Joshua has been on a mission to reclaim lost glory.

Save for twin losses to the far superior Oleksandr Usyk, Joshua had made small, meaningful strides towards re-establishing himself as a top heavyweight boxer.

At a packed Wembley Stadium last month, Daniel Dubois stood between Joshua and the chance to become a three-time heavyweight world champion. Joshua, the more experienced and celebrated fighter, was expected to seal the deal.

Flipping the script

But from the very first round, the script went awry. A massive overhand right by Dubois dropped Joshua to the canvas – a shock blow that Joshua never recovered from. Joshua fell to the floor three more times, before the end came in the fifth round with a clean short right from Dubois.

Joshua, with his face on the mat, attempted to will his way to his feet, but failed to beat the count. It was a sad sight – a once formidable fan favourite reduced to a wobbly mess.

At 34, Joshua’s path to redemption is riddled with potholes. To rebuild, he must once again start from scratch by taking on lesser opponents. There are already loud calls for Joshua to hang up the gloves.

> I’m a gladiator. I’m a warrior to the bitter end. I want to go to the top level of this game and reach my full potential. I’m not going to stop until I reach it
>
> **DANIEL DUBOIS**

Like most professional sportspersons, Joshua has a big ego. This sense of pride, bordering on delusional self-belief, has prompted him to carry on. He dismissed all talk of retirement in a video he posted on Instagram after the loss. “We came up short, but we need to look at all the positives... What a roller-coaster journey. But you know what the problem is? Is that it’s far from over yet,” Joshua stated.

“We’ve done it once, we’ve done it twice. Doing it a third time hasn’t been easy, but I believe it’s something I can achieve. It’s about making the right steps forward, working hard.. It’s got to come from [the heart] more than anything... I know I’ve got a lot of this. I know I’ve got a lot of this,” Joshua said, while pounding his chest in a show of bravery.

There is speculation that Joshua will push for a quick rematch. Common logic, however, suggests that he is nowhere near ready for this challenge.

While Joshua licks his wounds, Dubois finds himself on top of the world. The 27-year-old from London was up for it at Wembley, packed with 96,000 spectators. Dubois let loose with the big hits, catching Joshua by surprise. A power-puncher, ‘Dynamite’ Dubois knew that his best chance came from all-out attack.

Climbing to the top

Earlier this year, the soft-spoken Dubois earned an IBF title shot with a technical knockout against Filip Hrgovic. He then gained the IBF crown without any effort, as unified champion Usyk was forced to relinquish his belt because of a rematch contract with Tyson Fury.

In his first title defence, Dubois showed his class to silence the many Joshua fans in the crowd. “Are you not entertained?” he yelled in the ring after the fight.

“I’m a gladiator. I’m a warrior to the bitter end. I want to go to the top level of this game and reach my full potential. Behind the scenes, I’ve been working hard, with all my family and my team. They’ve all helped me... I’m not going to stop until I reach my full potential,” Dubois said after the famous victory.

Dubois’ future looks bright. He is likely to wait on the Usyk-Fury fight, where the WBA, WBO and WBC belts are on the line. Dubois could then take on the winner and get all belts unified.

> I’m going to fight [Oleksandr] Usyk and take all of the belts back once again — I guarantee that. After I beat Usyk, I’ll fight Dubois. That’s my plan
>
> **TYSON FURY**

Dubois gave a good account of himself in his fight against Usyk last year. In the fifth round, Dubois dropped Usyk, but the referee ruled that it was a low blow. Usyk recovered to gain a ninth-round stoppage. Many felt that Dubois was robbed, arguing that the low blow was in fact a legal punch.

The record book might show a loss, but Dubois walked away with the knowledge that he can stand toe to toe with the best in the business.

The Usyk-Fury fight, however, is a couple of months away, which gives Dubois plenty of down time. To keep him occupied, there is a ready challenger in Joseph Parker. The Kiwi, who has defeated Deontay Wilder and Zhilei Zhang in his last two fights to significantly raise his stature, relayed a message to Dubois through his manager.

“Joseph is ready to fight anyone, but if he was given the opportunity to fight Daniel Dubois, he’d grab it with both hands and he would back himself to win,” Parker’s promoter David Higgins told *Sky Sports*.

Dubois’ options

Dubois is also not opposed to a rematch with Joshua. Dubois insisted that he was not at his best in the first go, and vowed to do better. “I would love a rematch but either one really, whoever pays me more money,” Dubois told *talkSPORT* when asked if he would prefer a Joshua rematch or to take on the winner of Usyk-Fury.

All attention turns to the much anticipated Usyk-Fury rematch, which will be held in boxing’s new cash-rich home, Saudi Arabia. It was Usyk who came out on top in the first meeting, making the Ukrainian the first undisputed heavyweight champion since Lennox Lewis in 2000.

Usyk – a rare breed of boxer who has made a smooth transition from cruiserweight to heavyweight – handed Fury his first defeat in a 16-year professional career.

If Usyk is able to get a second win, it will cement his place as an all-time great.

Fury, trigger-shy and a tad lazy in his earlier loss, will look for revenge. The ‘Gypsy King’, who was ringside for the Dubois-Joshua fight, made his immediate plans clear. “I’m going to fight Usyk and take all of the belts back once again – I guarantee that. After I beat Usyk, I’ll fight Dubois. That’s my plan,” Fury told reporters.

Regardless of the outcome of the Usyk-Fury clash, fans will hope to finally see a proposed super-fight between Fury and Joshua. Dubbed the ‘Battle of Britain’, this is a long-awaited bout between two of the biggest stars from the nation.

With Dubois adding his name to a heavyweight division packed with quality contenders, there are interesting times ahead.

GAME THEORY

Head Start: Kamindu Mendis and the best Test batting beginnings

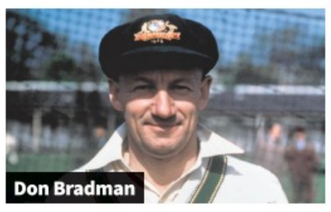
Kamindu Mendis has lived out a child’s batting fantasy in his short time in Test cricket. He became the joint-second-fastest batter to 1,000 Test runs (by innings) and broke the world record for the most consecutive Tests since debut with 50+ scores. Table 1 looks at batters who completed 1,000 runs in the fewest innings as well as their career runs tally and average, to get a sense of how many went on to greatness. Table 2 lists batters with the longest string of Tests with 50+ scores since debut.

Herbert Sutcliffe

Everton Weekes

TABLE 1: FEWEST INNINGS TO 1,000 TEST RUNS

Player	Team	Duration	Inns	Career tally	Career avg.
Herbert Sutcliffe	England	0y 244d	**12**	4,555	60.73
Everton Weekes	West Indies	1y 14d	**12**	4,455	58.61
Don Bradman	Australia	1y 223d	**13**	6,996	99.94
Kamindu Mendis	Sri Lanka	2y 80d	**13**	1,004	91.27
Neil Harvey	Australia	2y 312d	**14**	6,149	48.41
Vinod Kambli	India	1y 293d	**14**	1,084	54.20
Len Hutton	England	1y 363d	**16**	6,971	56.67
Frank Worrell	West Indies	3y 314d	**16**	3,860	49.48
Lawrence Rowe	West Indies	2y 42d	**16**	2,047	43.55
Yashasvi Jaiswal	India	0y 239d	**16**	1,217	64.05
George Headley	West Indies	1y 47d	**17**	2,190	60.83
Sid Barnes	Australia	9y 309d	**17**	1,072	63.05
Graeme Smith	South Africa	1y 145d	**17**	9,265	48.25
Gary Ballance	England	1y 108d	**17**	1,653	40.31
Harry Brook	England	0y 301d	**17**	1,558	53.72



Don Bradman

Kamindu Mendis

TABLE 2: MOST CONSECUTIVE TESTS WITH 50+ SCORES SINCE DEBUT

Player	Country	Tests
Kamindu Mendis	Sri Lanka	**8**
Saud Shakeel	Pakistan	**7**
Bert Sutcliffe	New Zealand	**6**
Basil Butcher	West Indies	**6**
Saeed Ahmed	Pakistan	**6**
Sunil Gavaskar	India	**6**

SOURCE: ESPNCRICINFO

Kamindu Mendis

PICTURE THIS

Shimmering sail

This photograph depicts sailing action from the Louis Vuitton Cup, which determines the challenger for the historic America’s Cup, the oldest international competition still operating in any sport.

The Louis Vuitton Cup — or the Challenger Selections Series — comprises a double round-robin stage and a semifinal stage, followed by a two-boat match race final.

Italian team Luna Rossa Prada Pirelli and British crew Ineos Britannia have been locked in the first-to-seven-points final in Barcelona for the right to take on defending champion Emirates Team New Zealand in the 37th edition of the America’s Cup.

A lot of the Louis Vuitton Cup final has been sailed in relatively flat water beneath cloudless skies, backdropped by the picturesque Barcelona beachfront.

The Italian and British fans, who have travelled to Barcelona, have taken in the tight action in multiple ways. On land, they have flocked to various fan zones in the race village and watched the racing on giant screens. Some have entered the water on yachts and small craft around the race course.

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Deficient rain drives up power demand; officials say there is no cause for concern

Eight districts, including Bengaluru Urban and Bengaluru Rural, largely did not get enough rainfall in September

Jahnavi T.R.
BENGALURU

With many parts of Karnataka experiencing deficient rains in September, peak electricity demand went up by almost 2,000 to 2,500 megawatts on average in Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Ltd. limits and almost by 1,000 MW in the Bangalore Electricity Supply Company (Bescom) limits.

According to the data of the Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre (KSNDMC), 14 districts received deficient rain this time, while eight districts, including Bengaluru Urban and Bengaluru Rural, received largely deficient rain in September. This resulted in higher power requirements for irrigation pump sets.

In August, the peak demand was around 9,000 to 10,000 MW and in September, it was 12,000 to 12,500 MW. K. BHAGYA PRAKASH

Increased consumption

"In August, the peak demand was around 9,000 to 10,000 MW, and in September, it was 12,000 to 12,500 MW. Consumption also was around 190 million units in August, and it went up to 220 to 230 MU in September. As rains subsided in September, the consumption went up by 30 to 40 MU primarily because of IP sets and partially because of air-conditioner load," said Pankaj Kumar Pandey, Managing Director, Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Ltd. "Compared to the previous year, this year's demand has been slightly less, mainly due to good rains. IP set consumption had come down as monsoon started until September. Hydel is also functioning at full capacity," he added.

Peak electricity demand went up almost by 1,000 MW in Bangalore Electricity Supply Company limits

Similarly, even in Bescom limits, the peak demand gradually came down after summer. In June, peak demand was 6,954 MW; in July, it was 6,660 MW; and in August, it was 6,522. But in September, the peak demand shot up to 7,781 MW. "Domestic demand has not changed much, but our agricultural requirement went up," said Mahantesh Bilagi, Managing Director, Bescom.

The demand is expected to go up further in the coming days. In the financial year 2023 - 24, a peak demand of a record 17,220 MW and a record consumption of 330 MU was registered in March 2024. Due to the drought situation, the peak demand had shot up to 16,000 MW by August itself in the previous year resulting in a power crisis. The crisis was corrected in a month after the government signed power-swapping agreements with other states.

However, this year, the officials say that there is no cause for concern.

'Growing economy'

"Along with the drought situation, industries had also completely recovered post-COVID - 19, and their consumption had also increased in the previous year. This year, we expect the consumption to touch around 340 MU as it keeps steadily going up, which is also a sign of a growing economy. With our hydel at full capacity and power tie-ups, we will be able to sufficiently cater to the demand," Mr. Pandey said.

International alumni meet of SMVIT

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The international alumni meet of Sir M. Visvesvaraya Institute of Technology (SMVIT), Bengaluru, was recently held in Dubai. During the event, Hemachandra Sagar, Chancellor of Dayananda Sagar University, Bengaluru, released the alumni directory for the Middle East.

HC stays verdict that ruled Ola's drivers are 'employees' of company

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BENGALURU

A Division Bench of the High Court of Karnataka on Friday stayed a judgment passed by a single judge, who had held that the relationship between ANI Technologies Pvt. Ltd. (the company that operates taxi aggregator and other services under the brand name Ola) and its drivers is that of employee-employer, and hence the company has to act under the law enacted to protect women from sexual harassment at workplaces when complaints of sexual harassment are received against its drivers.

The vacation Bench passed the interim order on a writ appeal filed by the company, which had questioned the single judge's September 30 verdict.

The single judge had passed the order on a petition filed by a woman who was a victim of sexual harassment by a man who impersonated a driver attached to Ola while travelling to her workplace at J.P. Nagar from Yelahanka in August 2018.

The judge had also directed Ola to pay a compensation of ₹5 lakh and litigation expenses of ₹50,000 to the woman whose complaint of sexual harassment was not dealt under provisions of the Sexual Harassment of Woman at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 (commonly known as PoSH Act) as the Internal Complaints Committee of the company declined to act under its provisions, claiming that drivers are not 'employees' of Ola.

Appearing for the company, senior advocate Dhyan Chinnappa contented single judge's interpretation that the terms of agreement between the Ola and the drivers who use its platform come within the purview of the definition of employer-employee relationship under the PoSH Act was erroneous as it is the drivers who use the Ola's platform by registering themselves to offer cab service. Ola does not employ them in any manner and they cannot be termed as employees of the company, he has argued.

The Bench adjourned hearing till October 28.

Office of the Executive Engineer
Road Construction Department, Road Division, Chaibasa, eercdchaibasa-jhr@nic.in

Very Short E-Procurement Notice
E-tender Reference No. : RCD/CHAIBASA/2024-25/08 (2nd Call)
Date : 04.10.2024

1.	Name of Work	Ordinary Repair/Traffic Restoration work of Asura (PWD) Road to Kumardungi via Balandia Road MDR(183) in 26P,27P,28P,29P,30P,31P,32P,33P, 34P and 35P under Road Division, Chaibasa for the year 2024-25.
2.	Estimated Cost (Rs.)	₹ 1,80,00,000.00 (One Crore Eighty Lacs) Only.
3.	Time of Completion	03 (Three) Months
4.	Date of Publication of Tender On Website	07.10.2024 at 11.30 AM
5.	Last date/Time for receipt of bids.	14.10.2024 Up to 3.00 P.M.
6.	Date of Opening of Bid	15.10.2024 at 11:30 A.M.
7.	Name & address of office Inviting tender	Office of the Executive Engineer, RCD, Road Division, Chaibasa
8.	Contact no. of Procurement Officer	7781899686
9.	Authority to Open the Bid	E- ProcurementOfficer, office of the Chief Engineer(Com), RCD, Jharkhand.
10.	Helpline number of e-Procurement cell	0651-3510880

* Quoted rate above Schedule rate will be Outright Rejected.
* Estimated value me be increase or decrease.
* Further details can be seen on website http://jharkhandtender.gov.in

PR 337958 West Singhbhum(24-25)#D

Executive Engineer
RCD, Road Division, Chaibasa.

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Tender Notice No. HE-TRD-2024-25-OT-29
Dated : 25-09-2024
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-Tenders for the following work.

Name of the Work	Approx. Value
OHE Modification for shifting of insulated overlaps in Hubballi Division.	Rs. 2,00,33,827/-

Last date for submission of bids:
Upto 15:00 Hrs on 25-10-2024
For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in
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PUBLIC NOTICE

That, the General Public hereby notify that, my clients **1) T. Sharadamma**, W/o Late.H C Krishnareddy, aged about 75 years, **2) Sri. K. Srinivasa Reddy,** S/o Late. H C Krishnareddy, aged about 52 years, and **3) Sri. H.M. Rajashekarareddy,** S/o Late. Muthapparreddy, aged about 41 years, all are resident at Hulimavu Village, Sri Rama Temple Road, Bengaluru-560 076, are the lawful owners in possession and enjoyment of the land bearing Sy No.58/1C, situated at Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, measuring 0-19 guntas and bounded on the: **East by:** Nallappa's land, **West by:** Rajakaluve, **North by:** Rajakaluve and **South by:** Property belongs to Sampangi Ramashastri, and the land bearing Sy No.59/1C, situated at Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, measuring 0-25 guntas and bounded on the **East by:** Property belongs to Thimmappa Reddy, **West by:** Rajakaluve, **North by:** Rajakaluve and **South by:** Property belongs to Gullappa. Except my clients no one is having right and interest over the aforesaid properties. Further, it is hereby notify that, one Abdul Quduse, major, S/o Shaik Mohammed, residing at No.28, 1st Main, Tank Garden, Someshwaranagar, Jayanagar 1st Block, Bengaluru has no any legal right, authority to deal with the aforesaid property. Further it is also notify that, the General Public at large shall not deal/transaction with the above said Abdul Quduse S/o Shaik Mohammed in respect of the aforesaid properties.

Any person deal / transaction with the above said Abdul Quduse S/o Shaik Mohammed in respect of the aforesaid property no right or title will transfer in respect of the aforesaid properties. If any person/s to deal/ transaction with the above said Abdul Quduse S/o Shaik Mohammed on their own risk and my clients will not held responsible for the further consequences.

S.K. SRINIVAS, Advocate
No.21/2, 3rd Floor, Gandhinagar,
1st Main, Opp. Indian Overseas Bank,
Bengaluru-560 009. Mob: 9845382238.
Date: 04/10/2024

'Manak Manthan' held

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Bengaluru branch of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Government of India, organised 'Manak Manthan' discussion on Thursday.

The event focused on the revised Indian Standard IS 302 (Part l): 2024 - Safety of household and similar electrical appliances: general requirements in which representatives from various sectors participated.

Chief guest C.K. Umesh, professor at UVCE, emphasised the importance of Manak Manthan sessions organised by BIS and the necessity for stakeholders to participate actively.

Madhav Badsheshi, president of the Consortium of Electronic Industries of Karnataka, attended as the guest of honour.

Vijayaveeran K., director and Head, BIS, Bengaluru branch, provided insights on the revised Indian Standard. Vinodini Kishore, scientist-D and Joint Director, BIS, presented the newly revised standard to the participants and mentioned the major changes introduced in the updated version.

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(CIN – U855100JH2013SGC001276)E-mail:jmhidpc2014@gmail.com
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Bid Ref. No. JMC/NIT-24/Bike-Ambulance/19 **Date: 01.10.2024**

Re-Tender for Supply of Bike Ambulance

The **Managing Director, Jharkhand Medical & Health Infrastructure Development & procurement Corporation Limited(JMHIDPCL), Ranchi** hereby invites separate **Technical Bid** and **Financial Bid** (two envelope system) through e-procurement from eligible.

The Bid documents with detailed conditions can be viewed and downloaded through website http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in and should be submitted through e-procurement system only. The eligible Bidder(s) willing to participate must be registered in e-procurement portal.

Particulars	Date & Time
Time of Completion	Within 60 days after issue of work order
Date of Publication of Bid	07-10-2024
Bid Submission Start Date	24-10-2024
Bid Submission Closing Date & Time	04-11-2024 05:00 PM
Bid Opening Date for Technical Proposal	05-11-2024 05:00 PM
Application Fee (Non-Refundable)	5900/- (Online Payment Gateway)
Earnest Money Deposit	Rs 700,000/- (Online Payment Gateway)
Contact/ Helpline No. of E-Procurement Cell	+91-8709368893
Pre-bid meeting Date & Time	15.10.2024 at 03:00 PM

Note: The above dates may change due to declaration of holidays. In the event of any of the dates being declared as a holiday for the office of the JMHIDPCL, the Bids will be opened on the next working day at the appointed time.

JMHIDPCL reserves the right to amend or withdraw any of the terms and conditions contained in the Bid document including quantity/ number of items to be supplied or to reject any or all Bids without giving any notice or assigning any reason. The decision of the Managing Director, JMHIDPCL in this regard shall be final.

PR 337931 Jharkhand Medical & Health Infrastructure Dev & Procurement Corp Ltd(24-25)#D

Sd/-
Managing Director
JMHIDPCL

झारखण्ड सरकार
क्षेत्र सर्वेक्षण प्रमण्डल, अग्रिम योजना
पथ निर्माण विभाग, दुमका

अल्पकालीन ई-प्रोक्योरमेंट सूचना

ई–निविदा प्रसंग सं0 :– RCD/FSD /AP/ DUM/18/2024-25 दिनांक:–01.10.2024

1.	कार्य का नाम	Detailed Project Report for construction of (A) Sarwan Road to Karnkol Airport on Jamuna Jore River, (B) Karwon to Koldih Bharkutta Road (Railway Over Bridge) under road division Deoghar in the State of Jharkhand.
2.	अनुमानित लंबाई (मीटर)	12 कि० मी०
3.	कार्य समाप्ति की अवधि	60 दिन
4.	वेबसाईट पर निविदा प्रकाशित होने की तिथि एवं समय	07.10.2024, 05.00 बजे अपराह्न
5.	निविदा जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय	22.10.2024, 12.00 बजे अपराह्न तक
6.	निविदा खोलने की तिथि एवं समय	23.10.2024, 01.00 बजे अपराह्न
7.	निविदा आमंत्रित करने वाले का नाम एवं पता	कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय, क्षेत्र सर्वेक्षण प्रमण्डल अग्रिम योजना, पथ निर्माण विभाग, दुमका।
8.	प्रोक्योरमेंट पदाधिकारी का संपर्क नं0	8292901787
9.	ई–प्रोक्योरमेंट सेल को हेल्पलाईन नं0	0651–2401010

अतिरिक्त जानकारी के लिए वेबसाईट पर देखें :– http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in

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PR 337950 Road (24-25)_D

कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय, तेनुघाट बाँध प्रमंडल, तेनुघाट

शुद्धि पत्र

एतद् द्वारा सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि तेनुघाट बांध प्रमंडल, तेनुघाट अन्तर्गत आमंत्रित ई0 निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या–**WRD/TDD Tenughat/ IFB/SBD-10/2024-25** दिनांक 27.09.2024 जो विभिन्न समाचार पत्रों में प्रकाशित हुआ है, जिसका PR No. 337409 WRD (24-25) D है, के वेबसाइट पर प्राक्कलित राशि एवं कार्य पूर्ण करने की अवधि अपरिहार्य कारणों से निम्न प्रकार संशोधित किया जाता है :–

विवरण	पूर्व प्रकाशित	संशोधित
प्राक्कलित राशि	8,88,37,728.00 (रूपये आठ करोड़ अठासी लाख सैंतीस हजार सात सौ अठाईस) मात्र	8,07,17,822.00 (रूपये आठ करोड़ सात लाख सत्रह हजार आठ सौ बाईस) मात्र
कार्य पूर्ण करने की अवधि	545 दिन।	365 दिन।

नोट :– निविदा की अन्य सभी शर्ते यथावत् रहेंगी।

कार्यपालक अभियंता
PR 337972 Water Resource(24-25)#D **तेनुघाट बाँध प्रमंडल, तेनुघाट**

IN THE COURT OF THE VII ADDL.SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE & JMFC BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT AT BENGALURU,
O.S.No. 1708/2021

BETWEEN:
M/s. Vasavi Auto Finance & Chit Funds Rept by its **Proprietor G. Narsimulu** .....PLANTIFF

AND
Karthik Reddy Donnur Rept by **GPA Holder Keerthy Mallu** .....DEFENDANTS

NOTICE/SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANT NO.1 To 3

To,
1. Mr.Karthik Reddy Donnur. S/o D Linga Reddy, **2. Mrs.Soniyashri Koochana** W/o Karthik Reddy Donnur. D/o K Rajendra Prasad. Both above Defendant No.1 & 2 are represented by the GPA Holder, i.e., Defendant No.3. 3.**Keerthy Mallu. S/o D.Linga Reddy,** R/at Plot No.32/15, 3rd Main, Shakambari Nagar, J.P.Nagar, 1st phase, Bengaluru-560078. **Also at,** Flat No.240, Srinivasa colony, Mehabooba Nagar, Telangana-569001.

Whereas the above named Plaintiff instituted a suit against you for specific performance of agreement of Sale **Dated: 07.05.2018** and other reliefs.

You are hereby summoned to appear before this Court on **12.11.2024 at 11.am** in person or through advocate to answer the question to the same. Failing which the suit will be heard and determined as ex-parte.

SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the site bearing No.68, Measuring on the eastern side **50.11 feet,** on the western side **50 feet,** on the northern side **55.9 feet** and on the southern side **46 feet,** in all measuring **2525 Square feet,** the said site is carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No.19, presently bearing BBMP Khatha No.01, Sy. No. 19, measuring 4 acre 20 guntas (Converted from agricultural to Non-agricultural) residential use vide official memorandum dated: 18.10.2014, bearing No,. ALN(E)SR/2/2014-15, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru Distirct, Bengaluru) plus 9 guntas of Kharab, in the layout Known as "Sri Sai Gardens" situated at Sannathammanahalli Village, K.R.Puram Hobali, earlier Bengaluru south Taluk, presently Bengaluru East Taluk and bounded on the **East by:** Private property, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Site No.69, **South by:** Road.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY (B&C) - SCHEDULE B

250 Sq.ft undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in the Schedule A property.

SCHEDULE C

Flat bearing No.102, in the first floor, measuring **1050 Sq.ft,** super built up area containing two bedrooms, together with one covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages,lobbies, lift staircase on Schedule "A" Property known as **"Sree Enclave"** Apartment with other specifications.

Given under by hand and seal of the court, this 1st day of October2024.

Advocate for Plaintiff
Vivekananda V Jalde
Nagesh.M - Advocates,
No.82, 2nd floor, 5th cross,
HIG colony, RMV 2nd stage,
Dollars colony, Bengaluru-560094.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT.
Sd/-
CHIEF MINISTERIAL OFFICE.
Senior Civil Judge Court
Bengaluru Rural Dist, Bangaluru

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कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय
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अति अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना
ई– निविदा सूचना संख्या – RDD/SD/CHAIBASA/12/2024-25(MMGSY)

1. कार्य की विस्तृत विवरणी :

क्र० सं०	कार्य का नाम	प्राक्कलित राशि	अग्रधन की राशि	परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य	कार्य पूर्ण करने की अवधि
1	पश्चिमी सिंहभूम जिला के सदर प्रखण्ड अन्तर्गत टोन्टो पंचायत के ग्राम टोन्टो से अमीता जाने वाली रास्ता के गौतोपा में रोरो नदी पर पुलिया निर्माण।	63156000.00	1264000.00	10000.00	24 माह

2. वेबसाइट में निविदा प्रकाशन की तिथि – 07.10.2024
3. ई–निविदा प्राप्ति की तिथि एवं समय–दिनांक 07.10.2024 से दिनांक 14.10.2024 को अपराह्न 5:00 बजे तक
4. ई–निविदा खोलने का स्थान – कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय, ग्रामीण विकास विशेश प्रमण्डल, पश्चिमी सिंहभूम, चाईबासा।
5. ई–निविदा खोलने की तिथि एवं समय –15.10.2024 अपराह्न 5:00 बजे
6. ई–निविदा आमंत्रित करने वाले पदाधिकारी का नाम एवं पता :– कार्यपालक अभियंता, ग्रामीण विकास विशेष प्रमंडल, पश्चिमी सिंहभूम, चाईबासा
7. ई–निविदा प्रकोष्ठ का दूरभाष सं० – 8709623131 (संबंधित कार्यपालक अभियंता का दूरभाष नम्बर)
8. परिमाण विपत्र की राशि घट–बढ़ सकती है तदनुसार अग्रधन की राशि देय होगी।
9. निविदा शुल्क एवं अग्रधन की राशि केवल Online Mode द्वारा स्वीकार्य होगी।
10. निविदा खोलने की तिथि से 5 दिनों के अन्दर निविदादाता द्वारा अपनी आपत्ति / दावा दर्ज कराये अन्यथा अवधि बीतने के पश्चात् कोई भी आपत्ति / दावा मान्य नहीं होगा।
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ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಪೂರ್ವ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ವರ್ತೂರು ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಕಾಚಮಾರನಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಸೂಲಿಕುಂಟೆ, ಮತ್ತು ಕೊಡತಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಆನೇಕಲ್ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಸರ್ಜಾಪುರ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಚೊಕ್ಕಸಂದ್ರ ಮತ್ತು ಅವಲಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳ ಖಾತೆದಾರರು/ಆಸಕ್ತದಾರರಾದ ನಿಮಗೆ ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ, ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ವಿವರಿಸಿರತಕ್ಕ ಸ್ವತ್ತು "Formation of Peripheral Ring Road (PRR) Between Tumkur Road- Old Madras Road & Hosur Road" ಗೋಸ್ಕರ ಬೇಕಾಗಿರುವುದರಿಂದ, ಸದರಿ ಸ್ವತ್ತನ್ನು ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ನಿಶ್ಚಯಿಸಿ ಬಿ.ಡಿ.ಎ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1976 ಕಲಂ 19(1) ರಡಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಯುಡಿಡಿ/399/ಎಂ.ಎನ್.ಎಕ್ಸ್/2006, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಿನಾಂಕ:29/06/2007 ರಂತೆ ಅಂತಿಮ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಸದರಿ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯನ್ನು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಪತ್ರದ ಭಾಗ–03, ಸಂಚಿಕೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:1077 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 03/07/2007 ರಂದು ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಅಂತಿಮ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯ ಎಲ್ಲಾ 153 ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂಬರುಗಳಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಖಾತೆದಾರರು/ಅನುಭವದಾರರು/ಆರ್.ಟಿ.ಸಿ ದಾರರು/ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರಿಗೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1894 ಕಲಂ 9 & 10 ರಡಿ ಲಭ್ಯವಿರುವ ವಿಳಾಸಗಳಿಗೆ ಸ್ಪೀಡ್ ಪೋಸ್ಟ್/ಮುದ್ರಾಂ ನೋಟೀಸ್ ಅನ್ನು ಜಾರಿ ಮಾಡಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಒಂದು ವೇಳೆ ಅವರಿಗೆ ನೋಟೀಸ್ ತಲುಪದೇ ಇದ್ದ ಪಕ್ಷದಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಮೇಲಿನ ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯನ್ನು ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1894 ಕಲಂ 9 & 10 ರಡಿ ನೀಡಿರುವ ನೋಟಿಸ್ ಎಂದು ಪರಿಗಣಿಸುವಂತೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ಮೇಲೆ ನಿಮಗೆ ಇರಬಹುದಾದಂತಹ ಹಕ್ಕು ಬಾಧ್ಯತೆಯ ಸ್ವಭಾವವನ್ನು ಮತ್ತು ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ನೀವು ಅಪೇಕ್ಷಿಸುವ ಪರಿಹಾರವನ್ನು ಮತ್ತು ಇದರ ಅಳತೆ ಕಾಣಿಸಿರುವುದರಲ್ಲಿ ಏನಾದರೂ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆ ಇದ್ದರೆ ಅದನ್ನೂ ಸಹ ತಿಳಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ನಿಮ್ಮಲ್ಲಿರಬಹುದಾದ ದಾಸ್ತಾವೇಜುಗಳನ್ನು ಮತ್ತು ಸದರಿ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ಮೇಲಾಗಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ಅದರ ಯಾವ ಭಾಗದ ಮೇಲಾಗಲಿ ಇತರರಿಗೆ ಇರಬಹುದಾದ ಭೋಗ್ಯ, ಆಧಾರ, ಹಿಡುವಳಿ, ಸಾಗುವಳಿ ಹಿಸ್ಸೆ ಅಥವಾ ಅನುಭವ ಮುಂತಾದ ಹಕ್ಕು ಬಾಧ್ಯತೆಗಳನ್ನು ಲಿಖಿತ ಹೇಳಿಕೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವಂತೆ ಕೋರಿದೆ.

ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು: ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಪೂರ್ವ ಹೋಬಳಿ: ವರ್ತೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಕಾಚಮಾರನಹಳ್ಳಿ

Sl. No.	Name of the Kathedars/Anubhavadars. Smts./ Sriyuths	Sy. No.	Hissa	Whether/ Dry/ Wet/ Garden	Total Extent A	Total Extent G	Kharab Land A	Kharab Land G	Remaining Extent A	Remaining Extent G	Assess-ment Rs.Ps	Extent Proposed for Acquisition A	Extent Proposed for Acquisition G
1	2	3	4	5	6		7		8		9	10	
1268	Nanjappa S/o Muniyappa, K.B.Munishami Reddy, Nagappa S/o Nanjappa,Jayamma,Venkata Reddy-1 S/o Thimmaiah, K T MuniReddy S/o Thimmaiah, K.L.Ramaiah Reddy, K.L.Narayana Reddy, R. Rajanna, R. Anjanappa, K.R. Amaresh, Nanjundappa S/o late Nagappa, SannaBhattappa S/o late Nagappa, Rajgopal S/o late Nagappa, Kodanda Reddy S/o Annaiah Reddy, Kodanda Reddy S/o Annaiah Reddy, Kishore K.M S/o K.T. Munireddy, Sathish K.M S/o K.T. Munireddy, Kodanda Reddy S/o Annaiah Reddy	43	5A& 5B	Dry	8	5	0	18	5	7	7.60	0	26
1269	Bhadraiah S/o Chinnamma , R. Gopala Reddy S/o late K.L. Ramaiah Reddy	43	6	Dry	3	13	0	10	3	3	4.53	0	16
1270	S.Sanjeevaiah,Venkataramanappa S/o Abbaiappa,Narayana Reddy S/o Venkataramanappa, Chikkamuniyappa S/o Appajappa, Ramakrishnappa S/o Appajappa, Pillakka W/o Muniswamappa, M.C.Nagaraja reddy S/o Chikka Annaiah, Rama Reddy S/o Muni Reddy, Venkataswamy Reddy S/o Chikkavenkataramanappa, Gowramma W/o Late Siddappa Alias Sidda Reddy, Amaresh S/o Late Siddappa Alias Sidda Reddy, Saraswatamma W/o Late G.N.Mariyappa Reddy, Venkatamma W/o late Chikkamuniyappa, Muniyamma W/o late Bellurappa urf hagadurappa, Ramakrishnappa S/o Appajappa, Arun kumara M.K S/o Kaverappa,	46	-	Dry	26	23	0	0	26	23	32.50	1	38
1271	Govt land(Part-1 Puttiga-2.0Acre), Muniyallappa, Bodappa S/o Yallappa, Narayanappa S/o late Bodappa, Guramma Mattu 3 jana makkalu, Annappa S/o late Sonnalappa, Padmamma W/o late Venkataswamy, Somanatha S/o late Venkataswamy, Niranjan S/o late Venkataswamy, Papamma W/o Yallappa, Munivenkatappa S/o Kaverappa, Gowramma W/o late Manjunath	47	-	Dry	15	23	15	23	0	0	3.00	3	37
1272	Govt land (Part-1 -V.MuniswamiReddy-1-Acre), (Part-2-G.M.Ashwath Reddy-1-Acre), (Part-3-G.M.RamaReddy-1-Acre), (Part-4-G.M.Venugopal Reddy- 1-Acre,K.S.Ramaiah Reddy S/o Late Sidda Reddy,K.S.Nanjunda Reddy S/o Late Sidda Reddy-), (Part-5-G.M.SrinivasaReddy-1-Acre, Munishamaiah S/o Motappa Muniyappa S/o Chinnanna) (Part-6-Mekalappa S/o Beerappa), Munitayappa S/o late Dasappa, C. Jeevarani W/o G.M. Srinivasareddy, B.M. Sarojamma W/o late G.M. Venugopalareddy, G.A. Sanjay S/o G.M. Ashwathreddy, C. Jeevarani W/o G.M. Srinivasareddy, B.M. Sarojamma W/o late G.M. Venugopalareddy, G.A. Sanjay S/o G.M. Ashwathareddy, , C. Jeevarani W/o G.M. Srinivasareddy, B.M. Sarojamma W/o late G.M. Venugopalareddy, G.A. Sanjay S/o G.M. Ashwathreddy, Jayamma W/o late K.S. Nanjundareddy, K.N. Rajappareddy S/o late K.S. Nanjundareddy, K.N. Krishnappareddy S/o late K.S. Nanjundareddy, M. Gangappa urf. Gangappa reddy S/o late Munishamappa, H.M. Srinivas S/o late Muniyappa, Basavaraju S/o late Muniyappa, Manjunath S/o late Muniyappa	49	-	Dry	30	12	30	12	0	0	-	24	23
1273	ChikkaPillappa, Siddappa, Chikkachowdamma, Ramaiah, Venkatagiriyappa, Ammaiamma Urf Jayamma W/o Venkataramanappa, K.S.LakshmaiahReddy Siddappa, K.S.NarayanaReddy S/o Siddappa S Munireddy, G.V. Shivakumar S/o VeeraBhadrappa, Shivanna Urf ShivaRamaiah S/o Late Venkatagiriyappa, Girijamma W/o M. Ramachandra, Chikkachowdappa S/o Mekeramaiah, Lakshmappa S/o late Pillappa, Nanjamma urf. Lolakkamma W/o late H.P. Jayaramappa, Manjula W/o Balaraju, Yashodha W/o Nagaraja, Savitha W/o Gunashekara, Nirmala W/o Devaraju	50	1	Wet	11	24	0	36	10	28	15.73	2	23
1274	Chinnappa S/o Venkataramanappa	50	2	Dry	6	20	0	12	6	8	9.12	1	33
1275	Bhairappa,Muniyappa S/o Chikka Venkatappa, Padmamma D/o K.S.Ramaiah Reddy, Ammayamma W/o late H.P. Ramappa, Jayamma W/o late H.P. Narayanappa	50	3	Wet	5	9	0	10	4	39	7.32	1	13
1276	K.Muniyappa Reddy S/o Munishamappa, G.Appaiah Reddy, G.N.Muninanjappa S/o Nanjundappa, Puttamma W/o late Doddananjundareddy K.M,Chandrashekar S/o Kallappa	51	1A, 1B	Dry	3	30	0	1	3	29	5.49	2	15
1277	Bajjappa S/o Muniyappa, Renukamma D/o Akkayamma, Manjamma D/o Annayappa, Papaiah, Mariyappa, Munirajappa, Parvathamma, Muniswamy S/o Pullappa, Akkamma, Srikalamma W/o Maddurappa, Rajappa, Venkatesh, Kaverappa S/o Madduramma, Nagarathna, Gopala, Ramesha, Lakshmamma, Suresh S/o Abbayappa	51	2	Dry	1	1	0	0	1	1	1.52	0	18
1278	Muneerappa S/o Channappa, Manjukumar S/o Muniyappa	51	3	Dry	1	26	0	0	1	26	2.43	0	27
1279	G.Appaiah Reddy, G.K. Narayanaswamy S/o late Krishnareddy	51	4	Dry	2	0	0	0	2	0	2.94	1	10
1280	K.Muniyappa Reddy, Rama Reddy,S/o P.Rama Reddy	52	1A	Dry	2	7	0	2	2	5	3.13	0	28
1281	Rama Reddy S/o P.Rama Reddy	52	1B	Dry	3	28	0	6	3	22	5.22	0	30
1282	Bada Reddy S/o Venkatappa, Muni Reddy S/o Munishamappa, Chikka Akkaiamma W/o Chikka Venkatappa	52	2	Dry	3	4	0	8	2	36	4.27	1	19
1283	Thippa Reddy S/o Avalamuniappa,Chikkavenkatappa S/o Lakshmaiah	52	4	Dry	1	34	0	5	1	29	2.55	0	28
1284	Venkataswamy S/o Papa Reddy, Chikka Venkatappa S/o Lakshamaiah	52	5	Dry	0	13	0	0	0	13	0.49	0	12
1285	Bada Reddy S/o Venkamma, Gowramma W/o late Narayanareddy, Raghvendra babu K.N S/o late Narayanareddy R	52	7	Dry	0	11	0	0	0	11	0.41	0	11
1286	Chikka Akkaiamma W/o Chikka Venkatappa	52	8	Dry	0	11	0	0	0	11	0.41	0	9
1287	J.Raveendran S/o Late K.Jayarama Reddy,J.Jagdeesh S/o Late K.Jayarama ReddyJ.Gopal S/o Late K.JayaramaReddy, Parvathamma W/o Late G.M.Krishnappa , K.J. Keshavareddy S/o late K. Jayaramareddy, Moola Kathedar	53	2	Dry	4	0	0	0	3	30	6.72	2	34
1288	B.Ramappa S/o K.V.Bhathyappa, Vijayalakshmi W/o B. Ramappa, Mohan R S/o B. Ramappa	53	4	Dry	1	12	0	2	1	10	2.24	0	16
1289	B.Narayanappa S/o K.V.Bhathyappa	53	5	Dry	1	16	0	3	1	13	2.38	0	6
1290	Bada Reddy S/o Munishami	56	2	Wet	0	32	0	1	0	31	1.63	0	2
1291	Govt Land (Kharab Land)	57	-	Dry	0	14	0	14	0	0	-	0	14
1292	K.M.Raveendra Reddy-K.Muni Reddy, K.N.Muni Reddy S/o Late Nanjunda Reddy	58	1	Dry	0	13	0	0	0	13	0.65	0	13
1293	Bada Reddy S/o Venkatappa,Bada Reddy S/o Munishamappa	58	2	Dry	0	11	0	2	0	9	0.45	0	11
1294	Bada Reddy S/o Munishami	58	3	Dry	0	18	0	1	0	17	0.85	0	18
1295	Muni Reddy S/o late Nanjappa, K.Muni Reddy S/o Muniyappa	59	-	Wet	1	15	0	2	1	13	4.89	0	35
1296	Thoti Puttaiah, Kaveramma, Shantamma W/o late P. Ramaiah	60	-	Dry	0	24	0	2	0	22	1.22	0	20
1297	Venkataramanappa, V.Shashikumar, K.Poojappa Reddy, Lakshmamma, V.M. Nanjundappa S/o late Muniyappa, K.R. Nagaraju S/o late Ramaiahreddy, Srinivasa reddy S/o late Poojappa reddy	61	-	Dry	1	20	0	7	1	13	2.65	0	36
1298	Muniyappa Alias Bhadrappa	62	1	Wet	0	14	0	0	0	14	0.00	0	1
1299	Ramaiah, G.R. vasudevmurthy	62	2	Wet	0	22	0	0	0	22	0.70	0	3
1300	Chikka Venkatappa S/o Lakshmaiah	62	3	Wet	0	10	0	0	0	10	0.50	0	1
1301	Chikka Venkatappa	62	4	Wet	0	11	0	0	0	11	0.53	0	2
1302	K.R.Nagaraju S/o Ramaiah Reddy	62	5	Dry	0	3	0	0	0	3	0.15	0	3
1303	Chikka Venkatappa, P.Narayana Swamy S/o Papanna	63	1	Dry	1	4	0	1	1	3	2.20	0	8
1304	Govt Land (Tank Bank)	64	-	Dry	9	10	0	0	9	10	-	0	4
1305	G.R.Krishnappa S/o Late Ramaiah, G.R.Narayanappa S/o Late Ramaiah, G.K. Murali S/o G.R. Krishnappa, Muniyappa S/o Muniveerappa	67	-	Dry	4	12	0	7	4	5	7.80	2	20
1306	Chikka Venkatappa S/o Lakshmaiah, J.C.Venkataraju, H.S. Leelamma W/o Late G.C.Shivarudrappa, Santosh tajhutu S/o late Mathew, G.S. Krishnamurty S/o late G.C. Shivarudrappa, Me.. Prathap Foundation for Education and Training, G.S. Renukaprasad S/o late G.C. Shivarudrappa, G.S. Anoopkumara, S/o late G.C. Shivarudrappa	69	-	Dry	11	16	0	3	11	13	16..66	0	13
1307	Susheelamma W/o Late G.H.Narayanappa,G.H.Venkata Ramanappa S/o Late Hanumanthappa, G.H.Sreenivasappa S/o Late Hanumanthappa, G.H.Lakshamana Murthy S/o Late Hanumanthappa, G.N.Venkataramana S/o Late Nagappa, G.V. Rukmiyamma W/o G.V. Basavaraj	71	1	Dry	2	30	0	4	2	26	3.38	0	3
1308	B.V.Gouthama Reddy S/o Padmanabha Reddy,Vivek Reddy S/o Padmanabha Reddy,P.Vijaya Lakshmi W/o PadmanabhaReddy, P.Jamuna W/o Padmanabha Reddy,Y.Sanatha Kumara Reddy S/o Vishwanathaka Reddy, Pramieela W/o S.V.Gopala Reddy, Pushpavenamma W/o P.Chanchala Reddy, Sharath Reddy-Krishna Reddy, V. Goutham Reddy, E. Vivekreddy S/o E.A. Padmaramareddy, P. Vijayalakshmi-P. Ravikumara reddy, P. Jamuna- W/o Radhakrishnareddy, Sharath reddy	73	-	Dry	8	7	0	16	7	31	12.29	4	36
1309	Sidda Reddy S/o Veerappa Reddy, S.Ramadevi D/o Kuttappana Achari, Sarkarai Gunjuru kere neeru mulugade, P. Krishnappa S/o late V. Puttappa	74	-	Dry	2	0	0	0	2	0	3.00	0	5
1310	G.R.Krishnappa,G.R.Narayanappa, G.K. Murali S/o late G.R. Krishnappa	75	-	Dry	2	1	0	0	2	1	3.84	1	5
1311	P.Prabhakara Reddy S/o Papaiah Reddy	78	1	Dry	0	24	0	1	0	23	1.21	0	7
1312	K.R.Amaresh,Muniyappa S/o Nanjappa, P.Prabhakara Reddy S/o Papaiah Reddy, Nagappa S/o Nanjappa, R.Rajanna, Jayamma, R.Anjinappa, Banumathi C W/o Mr. Jagadishchandra M, Kodandareddy S/o Annaiahreddy	78	2	Dry	1	29	0	5	1	24	3.36	0	37
1313	Bajjappa S/o Muniyappa, Pushpa R W/o K.N. Babu reddy	79	8	Dry	0	2	0	0	0	2	0.10	0	1
1314	Hanumanthappa	79	9	Dry	0	2	0	0	0	2	0.10	0	2
1315	Hanumanthappa, K.N. Narayanaswamy S/o late Doddanarayanappa	79	10	Dry	0	8	0	0	0	8	0.40	0	7
1316	B.Ramappa S/o K.V.Bhathyappa, Vijayalakshmi W/o B. Ramappa, Mohan R S/o B. Ramappa	79	11	Dry	0	16	0	1	0	15	0.75	0	15
1317	Ela Nagappa S/o Giddappa	79	12	Dry	0	8	0	1	0	7	0.35	0	8
1318	Bajjappa S/o Muniyappa, Pushpa R W/o K.N. Babureddy	79	13	Dry	0	1	0	0	0	1	0.05	0	1
1319	Hanumanthappa	79	14	Wet	0	2	0	0	0	2	0.10	0	2
1320	P.Prabhakara Reddy S/o Papaiah Reddy	79	15	Wet	0	4	0	0	0	4	0.20	0	4
1321	Meke Ramaiah, Thimmarayappa, V.Muniswamy Reddy, T.Ramesh, T.Thimmarayappa, G.V. Sujatha S/o Late Jayamma, G.V. Vinutha D/o Late Jayamma, N. Ushashree W/o N. Venugopal reddy, G.V. Sujay S/o G.M. Venugopalreddy, G.S. Kiran S/o G.M. Srinivasareddy, M.T. Venkatesh S/o late Timmarayappa, T. Ramesh S/o late timmarayappa	100	-	-	11	37	0	14	11	23	17.03	11	37
	Total											77	6

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Sl. No.	Name of the Kathedars/Anubhavadars. Smts./ Sriyuths	Sy. No.	Hissa	Whether/ Dry/ Wet/ Garden	Total Extent A	Total Extent G	Kharab Land A	Kharab Land G	Remaining Extent A	Remaining Extent G	Assess-ment Rs.Ps	Extent Proposed for Acquisition A	Extent Proposed for Acquisition G
1322	Lakshmamama,Venkatashami Reddy,S.N.raveendra, Raveendra S/o late Narayanareddy,	1	2	Dry	2	16	0	0	2	16	3.8	1	3
1323	Ballarappa,Yellappa	1	3	Dry	1	37	0	0	1	37	3.05	1	12
1324	R.Prakash S/o Late S.M.Ramaiah	1	6	Dry	1	28	0	0	1	28	2.69	1	5
1325	Venkataswamy S/o Ramaiah	1	8	Dry	1	31	0	0	1	31	2.81	1	5
1326	V.Muni Reddy S/o Venkatappa	1	9	Dry	2	7	0	0	2	7	3.45	2	7
1327	S.N.Ramaiah Alias S.N.Rama Reddy, S.R. Nagaraju S/o late S.N. Ramaiah urf ramareddy, S.R. Manjunatha S/o late S.N. Ramaiah urf rama reddy	3	1A	Dry	2	15	0	0	2	15	3.76	1	6
1328	R.Venkatashami Reddy-M.G.Thayi Gowramma, Indresh S.V. S/o R. Venkataswamy Reddy @ Venkatashami Reddy, Tribhuvan S.V S/o R. Venkataswamy Reddy @ Venkatashami Reddy	3	1B	Dry	3	26	0	2	3	24	5.69	1	14
1329	Venkatashami Reddy.S.V. S/o Late Venkataramanappa, Rammakka W/o Venkataramanppa	3	2	Dry	8	32	0	10	8	22	12.33	3	24
1330	S.N.Ramaiah Alias S.N.Rama Reddy, S.R. Nagaraju S/o late S.N. Ramaiah urf ramareddy, S.R. Manjunatha S/o late S.N. Ramaiah urf rama reddy	3	4A	Dry	0	27	0	0	0	27	1.08	0	7
1331	Venkatashami Reddy.R-M.G.Thayi Gowramma, Indresh S.V. S/o R. Venkataswamy Reddy @ Venkatashami Reddy, Tribhuvan S.V S/o R. Venkataswamy Reddy @ Venkatashami Reddy	3	4B	Dry	0	29	0	0	0	29	1.16	0	12
1332	Puttamma, Ratnamma	3	5	Dry	0	24	0	1	0	23	0.95	0	22
1333	N.Puttaswamy S/o Nanjunda Reddy, Devaram Choyal A S/o Sri Amedramji Choyal, Mukesh N S/o Sri. Nemaram B Tejraj Pareriya S/o Sri. Narayan Lal	5	1	Dry	0	27	0	1	0	26	1.37	0	27
1334	Chikka Yellappa S/o Late Kullappa,S.K.Yellappa, Vinitha W/o late K.S. Vijayakumar reddy,	5	2	Wet	0	20	0	1	0	19	1.37	0	10
1335	S.N.Ramaiah, S.R. Nagaraju S/o late S.N. Ramaiah urf ramareddy, S.R. Manjunatha S/o late S.N. Ramaiah urf rama reddy	7	3	Wet	1	1	0	11	0	30	1.5	0	36
1336	Gowramma,Muni Reddy,S.N.Rajippa	8	-	Wet	1	4	0	1	1	3	2.49	1	4
1337	Ramaiah S/o Akkala Reddy, Tejraj Pareriya S/o Sri. Narayan Lal, Mukesh N S/o Sri. Nemaram B, Devaram Choyal A S/o Sri. Amedramji Choyal	9	3	Wet	0	19	0	0	0	19	1	0	5
1338	Narayanappa S/o Muninanja Reddy, S.S. Sathish S/o Narayanappa	15	1	Dry	1	6	0	1	1	5	1.79	0	8
1339	Thimmakka Alias Ammaiah W/o Late Narayana Reddy, S.N.Ramakrishna S/o Late Narayana Redddy, S.N.Ashoka S/o Late Narayana Reddy, Muniyamma W/o Bhadraiah	18	1B	Dry	3	13	0	0	3	13	5.26	0	9
1340	C.Mukundaiah S/o Chikka Narayanappa, Mr. Mahesh K. Reddy S/o K.G. Kodandarama	32	1	Dry	2	0	0	0	2	0	3.87	0	5
1341	Chethan.M.Shah, Jasmin.M..Shah, Ashwin.M.Shah, Aruna.M.Shah, Rashesh.M.Shah, Prathibha.M.Shah	37	2A	Dry	2	25	0	0	2	25	4.16	0	39
1342	Chethan.M.Shah, Jasmin.M..Shah, Ashwin.M.Shah, Aruna.M.Shah, Rashesh.M.Shah, Prathibha.M.Shah	37	2B	Dry	2	22	0	0	2	22	4.5	0	4
1343	Yashodashankar D/o M.Shankarappa, M.Jayarama	38	-	Dry	4	6	0	0	4	6	6.56	3	17
1344	Munishamappa, Narayanappa, Sreenivasaiah, Munivenkatappa, Lingappa, N.Paparaju, Krishnappa, Nagaraju, Ravi, C.Raju, Yellappa S/o Nagappa, Venkateshappa, M.Munivenkatappa	39	1	Dry	3	32	0	2	3	30	5.55	1	8
1345	Sakamma W/o Muniswamy Reddy,C.M.Sreenivasa Reddy S/o Munishami Reddy, M.Krishna Reddy S/o Munishami Reddy, M.Narayana Reddy S/o Munishami Reddy, M.Yella Reddy S/o Munishami Reddy, D.Shantha W/o D.Lakkanna, Veena S.N. W/o late M. Yellareddy, Rathnamma W/o late M. Narayanareddy, D. Shanta W/o D. Lakkanna	39	2	Dry	9	11	0	10	9	1	13.28	4	0
1346	K.Ananthaiachar S/o Late Padmanabhachar	39	3	Dry	1	35	0	0	1	35	2.77	0	15
1347	K.Munishamappa,Lingappa S/o Late Munishamappa, Narayanappa, Sreenivasaiah, Venkateshappa, Munivenkatappa, N.Paparaju, M.Munivenkatappa, Krishnappa, Nagaraju, Ravi, Raju, Yellappa S/o Nagappa	40	-	Dry	2	29	0	1	2	28	3.97	0	18
1348	T.Anasuyamma D/o R.Venkataswamy, Munivenkatamma W/o Nanja Reddappa, Bidda Reddy S/o Muninanja Reddy	41	1A& 1B	Dry	5	6	0	1	5	5	7.55	2	23
1349	Muniyellappa S/o Late Munivenkatappa	41	2	Dry	3	7	0	1	3	6	4.64	1	19
1350	M.S.Siddesh S/o M.Shivanna, K.G. Kodandarama S/o late V. Giddannareddy	41	3	Dry	0	30	0	1	0	29	1.08	0	13
1351	Yellappa S/o Dyavappa, Y.Narayanappa S/o Yellappa, Purshottam S/o late Muniyappa	41	4	Dry	0	34	0	1	0	33	1.25	0	16
1352	C.Babu Reddy S/o Chikka Ramaiah Reddy, P.K.Chandrashekhar S/o B.Krishnappa, Mahesh Reddy S/o K.G. Kodandarama	41	5	Dry	1	34	0	1	1	33	2.69	0	30
1353	S.C.Krishnamurthy S/o Chikka Muniyappa	41	6	Dry	0	30	0	1	0	29	1.08	0	20
1354	Sreenivasa Reddy S/o Late Chinappa	41	7	Dry	0	32	0	0	0	32	1.18	0	10
1355	C.Babu Reddy S/o Chikka Ramaiah Reddy, Muni Reddy S/o Butta Reddy Alias Bulla Reddy, S.C.Krishnamurthy S/o Chikka Muniyappa, Narayanappa S/o Late Kakappa, Muniraju S/o Late Venkatappa, T. Ramesh S/o late Timmarayappa, Rangaraju S/o late Chikkamuniyappa	41	8A+8B	Dry	4	8	0	2	4	6	6.11	2	7
1356	S.C.Rangaraju S/o Chikkamuniyappa, P.K.Chandrashekhar S/o P.Krishnappa	41	9A&9B	Dry	1	2	0	0	1	2	1.55	0	3
1357	C.Mukundaiah S/o Chikka Narayanappa, C.Babu Reddy S/o Chikka Ramaiah Reddy	41	10	Dry	2	4	0	1	2	3	3.06	0	32
1358	George Kutty S/o Siriyar Verghese, Jose Kutti S/o Siriyar Verghese	41	11B	Dry	1	13	0	1	1	12	1.92	0	37
1359	Munishamaiah S/o Munithimmaiah, Jayamma W/o Muniramaiah, George Kutti Siriyak Verghese S/o Siriyak Verghese, S.C.Krishnamurthy S/o Chikka Muniyappa, S.C.Manjunath S/o Chikka Muniyappa, Venkataswamy S.M S/o late Muniswamappa, Moolakhatedara	41	12	Dry	5	38	0	1	5	37	8.72	1	9
1360	Ramakka W/o Venkataramanappa, Sunkamma W/o Ramachandra Reddy C, Chikkakullamma W/o K Y Timmareddy	42	-	Dry	2	9	0	11	1	38	2.83	0	9
1361	Nanjundappa, Munithimmaiah, A.T.Sreerama S/o Late Thimmaiah, Munithimmappa S/o Chikka Kaverappa, Thomas Poly S/o P.T.Poly, S.M.Minunarayana S/o Late Motappa, Mahadeva Bisappa S/o Bisappa	43	2	Dry	3	19	0	1	3	18	5.08	0	2
1362	Yella Reddy, N. Chandrareddy S/o late K.R. Narayanareddy, Y.S Rajappa S/o Yella Reddy	77	2	Dry	1	25	0	0	1	25	2.4	0	5
1363	B.M.Nagaraj S/o Late mudda Reddy, Vijaya C W/o late B.M.

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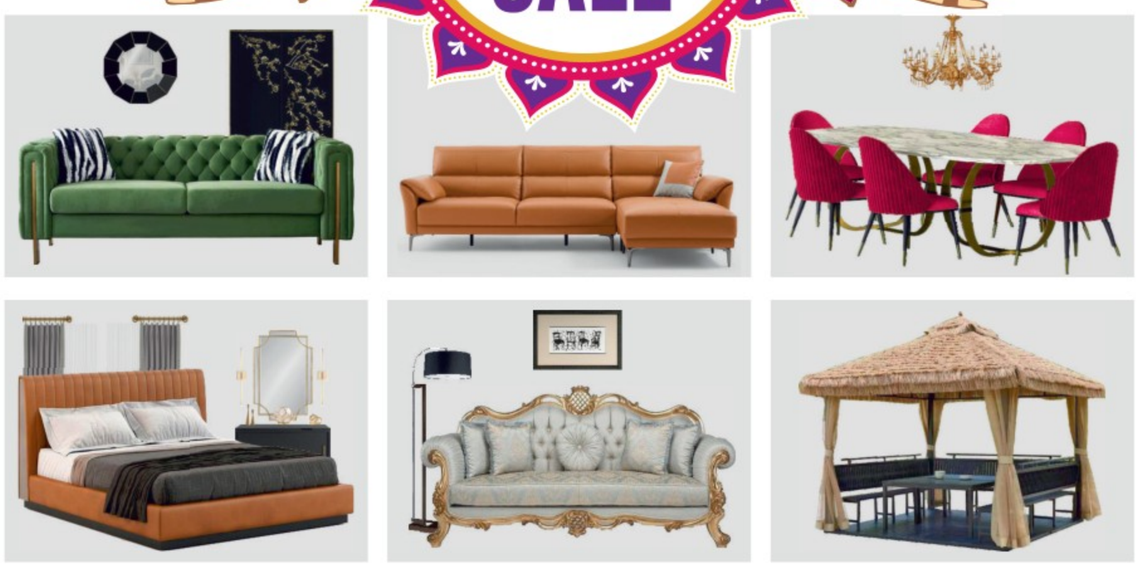

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1374	S.V.Munishamaiah,Earamma W/o Munishami Reddy, Ramalinga Reddy Alias Papanna, S.V.Ramaswamy Reddy S/o Vema Reddy, Sridhar S.R S/o S.V. Ramaswamy reddy, Suresh reddy S.R. S/o Ramalinga reddy S.M, Prabhakar reddy S.R. S/o late Ramalingareddy S.M, S.M. Nagappa S/o S.V. Munishamaiah, L. Yashika D/o D. Lakkanna mattu W/o Jeevan M, Jayamma W/o late S.M. Narayanareddy, S.K. Suvarna D/o late S.M Krishnareddy, Shivanand S.R S/o S.V. Ramaswamyreddy,	126	-	Dry	7	5	0	30	6	15	9.55	1	6
1375	Ramaiah S/o Akkala Reddy,S.C.Subbanna,S.C.Sampangiramaiah, S.M.Muniyappa S/o Munishamappa, Susheelamma W/o late S.M. Muniyappa, Gullamma W/o late Ramaiah	128	-	Dry	4	29	0	5	4	24	6.77	2	10
1376	V.Krishnappa S/o Venkatappa,S.M.Muniyappa S/o Munishamappa,M. Murthy S/o Muniyappa, Sujatha W/o N. Krishnappa, Anitha W/o Mariyappa, V. Muniraju S/o late Venkatappa, Susheelamma W/o late S.M. Muniyappa, B. Hemavathi S/o Basireddy Venkataramanareddy	129	-	Dry	4	23	0	0	4	23	6.6	1	1
Total												**66**	**17**

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Sl. No.	Name of the Kathedars/Anubhavadars. Smts./ Sriyuths	Sy. No.	Hissa	Whether/ Dry/ Wet/ Garden	Total Extent		Kharab Land		Remaining Extent		Assess-ment	Extent Proposed for Acquisition	
					A	G	A	G	A	G	Rs.Ps	A	G
1377	Sindu Ashvin D/o A.S.Vishnu Bharath	17	5	Dry	1	27	0	0	1	27	2.66	0	4
1378	Chikka Annappa S/o Muniswamy, N. Vijay Kumar, Sree Joshi V.M.S/o Mathew	20	1	Dry	4	20	0	0	4	20	7.11	2	20
1379	H.M.Susheela, H.S.Sham Sundar, H.M.V. Murthy S/o late H.V. Mukundaiah	20	2	Dry	2	15	0	0	2	15	3.60	0	14
1380	Narayanappa, Sreenivasaiah, Venkateshappa, Munivenkatappa, N.Paparaju,Lingappa, Krishnappa, M.Munivenkatappa, Nagaraja, Ravi, Raju, Yellappa	20	3	Dry	2	37	0	12	2	25	4.14	0	4
Total												**3**	**2**

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Sl. No.	Name of the Kathedars/Anubhavadars. Smts./ Sriyuths	Sy. No.	Hissa	Whether/ Dry/ Wet/ Garden	Total Extent		Kharab Land		Remaining Extent		Assess-ment	Extent Proposed for Acquisition	
					A	G	A	G	A	G	Rs.Ps	A	G
1381	Gowramma W/o Rama Reddy, Sunandamma W/o C.R. Nageshreddy babu, N. Reddy, Santhosh N S/o late C.R. Nageshreddy	5	-	Dry	4	31	0	0	4	31	7.55	0	14
1382	Gomala, KPTCL upa Kendra Bangalore,	6	-	Dry	28	0	28	0	0	0		2	14
1383	Mycle Reddy, Papareddy, Akyamma W/o Myakalappa urf. myakalareddy, Yashoda W/o late Nagarajareddy, Krishnareddy S/o Myakalappa urf. myakalareddy, Jayanna S/o Myakalappa urf. myakalareddy, Gopalareddy S/o Myakalappa urf. myakalareddy, Swethagowri D/o Seetharama reddy	86	1	Dry	4	27	0	12	4	15	5.52	2	11
1384	Phamila Balakrishna W/o Sandeep, Balakrishna, Syed Mustafa S/o Yakub, V.Narayanappa S/o Late Venkatappa,Syed Ali S/o Late Syed, Mohiddeen, Amash harun, Mr. K.R. Santoshkumar S/o K.N. Ramachandraiah, Muniraju S/o Doreswamy, Mr. K.R. Santoshkumar S/o K.N. Ramachandraiah, Smt. Shashikala W/o Ramesh, Banumurty S/o Sriramulu, M. Ushashree W/o Banumurthy	90	-	Dry	6	23	0	2	6	21	9.95	0	30
Total												**5**	**29**

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Sl. No.	Name of the Kathedars/Anubhavadars. Smts./ Sriyuths	Sy. No.	Hissa	Whether/ Dry/ Wet/ Garden	Total Extent		Kharab Land		Remaining Extent		Assess-ment	Extent Proposed for Acquisition	
					A	G	A	G	A	G	Rs.Ps	A	G
1385	V.Ramakrishnappa s/o Late Venkatappa, V.Govindaraju S/o Late Venkatappa, V.Kaverappa S/o Late Venkatappa, V.Munivenkatappa S/o Late Venkatappa, Srinatha M S/o Munivenkatappa V	1	1	Dry	2	0	0	0	2	0	3.16	0	17
1386	Yellaga S/o Hutcha, Muniyappa S/o Hagaduru Venkatappa	2	1	Dry	0	24	0	0	0	24	0.95	0	13
1387	B.Muniswamy	2	2	Dry	1	19	0	0	1	19	2.34	0	37
1388	Madurappa S/o Muniyellappa alias Payappa, Chinnamma W/o late Maddurappa,	2	3	Dry	0	26	0	0	0	26	1.03	0	15
1389	Kunta Maddura	2	4	Dry	0	20	0	0	0	20	0.79	0	17
1390	Maddurappa S/o Muniyellappa Alias Payappa, Chinnamma W/o late Maddurappa,	2	5	Dry	0	21	0	0	0	21	0.84	0	14
1391	Parashiga, Renukamma D/o Parashiga urf. parashappa	2	6	Dry	0	20	0	0	0	20	0.79	0	15
1392	B.Rame Gowda S/o Bhyrappa	3		Dry	3	25	0	5	3	20	-	1	35
1393	S.Muniswamappa S/o Sonnappa, B.Narayana Gowda,B.Bore Gowda, B.Mune Gowda, B.Nagaraju, B.Sreenivasa, B.Rame Gowda S/o Bhyrappa, B.Nagaraju S/o Bhyrappa, Nandakumar N, Ambujakshi N, Satish N, Kumuda N D/o late Narayanagowda B, B. Munegowda,	5	-	Dry	5	0	0	11	4	29	7.48	0	6
1394	B.Sreenivasa S/o Bhyrappa, B. Srinivas S/o Byrappa, K. Bhuvaneshwari reddy D/o late Krishnareddy, Parvathamma D/o N. Shamaraju	6	-	Dry	3	13	0	1	3	12	5.22	1	29
1395	S.Muniswamappa S/o Sonnappa	24	-	Dry	4	5	0	24	3	21	5.58	3	25
1396	Sudha W/o Manjunatha	26	-	Dry	1	9	0	0	1	9	1.69	0	12
1397	Govt Gundu Thopu	27	-	Dry	0	13	0	13	0	0	-	0	13
1398	Govt Land, KPTCL Bangalore, Jayamma W/o Lakkappa, Govinda S/o Govindappa, Mohinidevi agaraval D/o Lal gi Agaraval, Venkatappa S/o Erappa, Munivenkatappa S/o Kuppaiah, Umeshanna, Nagaraju S/o Maddurappa, Rajappa S/o Gowramma, Narayanamma W/o Pullappa, Shantamm W/o late Chinnappa, Venkatesh S/o Munigurappa, Y. Venkatesh S/o Yallappa, Venkatappa S/o Yallappa, Muniyallamma W/o late Muniyallappa, Donnappa S/o Munishamappa, Gopal S/o Narayanappa, Prasannakumar shetty S/o Manjaiah sheety, Venkatswamy S/o Muniswamappa, Papanna S/o late Huch yallappa, Bharathi S. Alva W/o B. Sathish Alva	28	-	Dry	40	18	40	18	0	0	-	10	30
1399	Muniyappa S/o Karappaiah, Chikka Venkatappa S/o Bagur Muniswamy, Satish Kumar Dalmia S/o Indra Kumar Dalmia,R.S.Lakshmamma W/o Late R.N.Subbarao, S. Jagannatha S/o late R.N. Subbarao, Muniyamma D/o late Dodda abbaiah, Guramma D/o late Dodda abbaiah, Sathish kumar dalmiya S/o Indrakumar dalmiya	29	-	Dry	3	4	0	4	3	0	4.15	2	11
1400	K.C.Vijay Kumar S/o Chinnaswamy Reddy, R.S.Lakshmamma W/o Late R.N.Subbarao, S. Jangannatha S/o late R. N. Subbarao, Mohini Devi Agarwal W/o R.L Agarwal	30	1	Dry	3	15	0	4	3	11	0.00	0	34
1401	Doddamadappa S/o Muniyappa,K.C.Vijayakumar S/oLate Chinnaswamy Reddy, Mohinidevi agaraval W/o R.L. Agarawal, Krishnappa S/o Muniyappa	30	2	Dry	2	37	0	1	2	36	4.59	0	4
1402	V.Munivenkatappa S/o Late Venkatappa, Srinatha M S/o Munivenkatappa V	33	1	Dry	1	4	0	3	1	1	1.41	0	13
1403	V.Munivenkatappa S/o Late Venkatappa, Srinatha M S/o Munivenkatappa V	33	2	Dry	1	3	0	2	1	1	1.41	0	7
1404	Muniyellappa S/o Late Munishami, Munikaverappa S/o Late Munishami ,Venkatamma W/o Late Venkatappa,Madeshamma W/o Late Bagurappa, Muniyappa S/o Late Munishami, Muthamma W/o Late Narayanaswamy, Venkataswamy S/o Late Bolappa,Ramaswamy S/o Late Bolappa,Krishnappa S/o Late Bolappa,Gopal S/o Late Bolappa, M. Venkatesh S/o late Muniswamy, C. Anand S/o late Channaiah	33	3	Dry	2	20	0	5	2	15	3.26	0	3
1405	B.Rame Gowda, B.Srinivasa Gowda, C. Eshwar reddy S/o Chowdareddy	57	1	Dry	0	32	0	0	0	32	1.60	0	3
1406	H.Muniswamy	58	1	Dry	0	8	0	0	0	8	0.40	0	8
1407	B.Muniswamy	58	2	Dry	0	14	0	0	0	14	0.70	0	13
1408	V.Ramakrishnappa S/o Late Venkatappa	58	3	Dry	0	8	0	0	0	8	0.40	0	5
1409	Lakshmamma W?o Thimma Reddy, Muniyallamma W/o Venkataswamy	58	4A	Wet	0	7	0	0	0	7	0.35	0	1
1410	V.Ramakrishnappa s/o Late Venkatappa, V.Govindaraju S/o Late Venkatappa,V.Kaverappa S/o Late Venkatappa, V.Munivenkatappa S/o Late Venkatappa, Srinatha M S/o Munivenkatappa V	59	1	Dry	1	12	0	1	1	11	2.15	0	5
1411	Bangalore-Salem Railway Track,Mariya Begum W/o Noorbaig,Muniyappa S/o late Ramakka,Gowramma W/o Muniswamireddy, Muniveeranna alias Muniswamireddy S/o Nanjappa, Munivenkatappa S/o Kurimuniyappa, Ramaiah S/o Gurappa, Jayasheelamma W/o late Venkataswamyreddy, Narayanareddy W/o late Ramaiah, Sathish S/o late Ramaiah	60	1A, 1B, 2,3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 4C	Dry	2	6.5	0	0	2	6.5	0.01	2	6.5
1412	Venkanna S/o Gopalaiah, Muniyappa S/o Hagaduru Venkatappa, Bengaluru Salem Railway Track	61	1A & 1B	Wet	0	9	0	1	0	8	0.40	0	9
1413	Muniyappa S/o Late Ramaiah,	61	2	Wet	0	8	0	0	0	8	-	0	2
1414	Dodda Muniyamma D/o Venkatappa, Ramaswamy S/o late Lakkappa	62	1A&1B	Wet	0	38	0	6	0	32	1.60	0	19
1415	Bangalore-Salem Railway Track	62	2B	Wet	0	36	0	0	0	36		0	7
1416	D.M.Venkataswamy S/o Muni Reddy,	67	-	Wet	1	2	0	4	0	38	1.90	0	20
1417	Jayasheelamma W/o Late Ramaswamy, Narayanareddy, Satish, Yellamma W/o Krishna Reddy	73	-	Dry	1	29	0	0	1	29	2.74	0	6
1418	Ananda Reddy S/o M.Krishna Reddy, Venkatesh Reddy S/o M. Krishna Reddy,	74	1	Dry	3	37	0	1	3	36	6.21	2	35
1419	Bangalore-Salem Railway Track	74	2	Dry	0	6	0	6	0	0	-	0	6
1420	S.Muniswamappa S/o Sonnappa, B.Mune Gowda	76	-	Dry	2	27	0	6	2	21	3.72	0	8
Total												**33**	**23.5**

ಸಹಿ/- ವಿಶೇಷ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಾಧಿಕಾರಿ (ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಬ್ಯುಸಿನೆಸ್ ಕಾರಿಡಾರ್)-08 ಹಾಗೂ ಉಪ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ-01, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, GAIKWAD Ramesh Mira, S/o Mirasaheb Laxman Gaikwad, R/a No.16/1, Tuscan Enclave, Bachamal Road, Cox Town, Fraser Town, Bangalore-560005 have changed my name to Ramesh Mirasaheb Gaikwad vide affidavit dt: 03.10.2024 sworn before Notary Prasad Shetty.K.B, B'lore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SEEMA, D/o Raghavendra Bhat Kajake, R/at No.110, 11th Cross, 6th Main, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003, have changed my name from Seema to Seema Rao vide affidavit dated 03/10/2024 sworn before Notary K.S. Giridhar, Bengaluru.

PERSONAL

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Mr. Mane Ajit Gajanan resident of House No.42, Vayu Vihar Colony, Hosahalli Main Road, Kodagalahalli Village, Hunasamaranahalli Post, Bangalore North-562157, have changed my daughter's name from Trisha to Trisha Ajit Mane vide affidavit dated 31/08/2024 sworn before Advocate & Notary Public S.R.Ravikumar, B'luru.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice to the respondent Intimating the date of Divorce Petition
In the Family court of Kottayam Kerala
O. P (Div) No. 15/2024

PETITIONER

Susmitha C Edukutharayil, aged 30, D/o. Kuruvilla, residing at Edukkutharayil S.H.M Post, Kottayam 686006, now residing at 2124 Schumacher Drive, Napervillie IL, 60540 having Overseas Citizen of India card No A1153740.

RESPONDENT

Krishna Swarube Haridasan, aged 29, S/o. O K. Haridasan, residing at Room No 145, Nilgiri Hostel, MSRIT Nagar, Belgaluru, 560054, Karnataka.

Whereas the above named petitioner have filed the above mentioned Petition for Divorce praying that it may be allowed and whereas the said petition is posted to 28/10/ 2024 at 11 a.m before the Family Court Kottayam, you, the above named respondent is hereby ordered either to appear in person or through pleader or agent to answer for the above said Divorce Petition and submit objection if any, failing which the above OP (Div) will be decided ex-parte.

By Order
Kottayam Adv. Rayin K R

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

(CONSTRUCTION ORGANISATION)
E-TENDER

TENDER NOTICE NO. 12-CECNMS-2024-E-499884 DATED 24-09-2024

For and on behalf of The President of India, The Chief Engineer, Construction, Southern Railway, Egmore, Chennai 600 008 invites e-tender for the following work(s) as per Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) in our portal **www.ireps.gov.in**. The tenderers/Contractors intending to apply for the tender needs to get enrolled in the portal **www.ireps.gov.in** and only online tenders will be accepted.

NAME OF THE WORK

MAS-AJJ Section: Proposed Construction of ROB of span 1 x 37.24m and 1 x 25.04m span with Composite Girder in lieu of LC.25 at Km. 57/9-58/0 between Manavur and Thiruvalangadu Stations.

Cash Value (₹)	Earnest Money Deposit (₹)	Period of Completion (Months)	Closing Date @15.30 Hrs
70018859.50	500100.00	15	16-10-2024

For further details, please refer to web site portal www.ireps.gov.in or contact Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, Construction, E.V.R. High Road, Egmore, Chennai - 600008.

for Chief Engineer (Construction), Egmore, Chennai - 600 008.
for and on behalf of President of India

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike

Office of the Executive Engineer, Projects Division, Yelahanka Zone, Byatarayanapura, Bangalore-560 092

No.: BBMP/YNK/EE (Project)/TEND/06/2024-25 Dated: 03.10.2024

NOTICE INVITING TENDER (NIT)

(SHORT TERM TENDER) TWO COVER SYSTEM
(Through GoK KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only)

The Executive Engineer (Project Division), Yelahanka Zone BBMP invites tenders from eligible contractors registered in Brohat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike / KPWD / CPWD / Railways / MES / National Highway or any state Govt. Organization for the construction of works detailed in the Table below.

S.N.	Name of the projects
1	Further Development of Sahakaranagara Indoor Stadium along with Sports Equipment's at Sahakaranagara, Byatarayanapura Assembly Constituency (Call-2). **Estimated Cost (Rs. In Lakhs):** Rs. 200.00. **EMD: Rs.** 3.00 Lakhs

Calendar of events: 1) Last date & time for Queries (only through online): 10.10.2024 upto 3.00 PM. **2)** Date and time of per-bid meeting: 10.10.2024 upto 4.00 PM. **3)** Last Date & Time for receipt of Tenders: 18.10.2024 at 4.00 PM. **4)** Opening of Technical bid: 19.10.2024 at 4.30 PM. **5)** Opening of Financial bid (If Possible) On 21.10.2024 at 4:00 PM if possible

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Project Division Yelahanka Zone

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RDW&S DEPARTMENT

Court Road, Chamarajanagara Division, Chamarajanagara
Office And EE : 08226-226054, E-mail : eerdwsd.chn@gmail.com

E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION No. 05/2024-25, Dated : 30-09-2024

On Behalf of Governor of Karnataka, The Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Dept, Chamarajanagara Division, **Chamarajanagar** Invites from eligible General Contractors for the execution of **2024-25 SBM FSTP Work of Gundlupete Taluk.** The eligible Class-III & Above for General Category contractor (Note: Category of Contractors to be procured in the bid document) are required to submit through E-Procurement portal **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** The Notification includes **1** Works of Estimated Cost **Rs. 90.56 Lakhs**. Tenders are invited through E-procurement Portal only.

1	Date & Time of Publication of Tender	01-10-2024 Onwards
2	Last date of Submission of bids	08-10-2024 @ 17:00 hrs
3	Date & Time of opening of Technical Bids	09-10-2024 @ 17:00 hrs
4	Date & Time of opening of Financial Bids	After Successful Technical Bid Evalution

DIPR:CHANAGAR:306:2024-25

Sd/- Executive Engineer, RDW & S Department, Chamarajanagara Division, Chamarajanagara.

BANGALORE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD

Office of The Chief Engineer (East), 6th Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, KG Road, Bangalore-560009.

INVITATION FOR TENDER - 3rd call (Through KPP Portal Only)

BWSSB invite tenders in Two Stage Tender System from Eligible Contractors for the below mentioned works.

Sl No.	Name of Work	Amount Put to Tender EMD
No: BWSSB/EIC/CE(E)/ACE(E)-I/DCE(M)-I/TA(E)/5323/2024-25		**Date:04.10.2024**
1.	Providing and laying of 450mm dia MS, 300mm dia DI water supply line at Nagawara main road from ORR to Shampur road junction pertaining to AEE(E)-2-1 Sub division. Indent No.(843).	**Rs. 296.03 lakhs** / **Rs. 4.44 lakhs**
2.	Providing and laying of 450mm MS, 200mm dia DI & 100mm dia water supply line pertaining to Nehru road Hennur road to Kullappa circle of AEE(E)-2-1 sub division. Indent No.(849).	**Rs. 321.57 lakhs** / **Rs. 4.825 lakhs**
3.	Providing and laying of 450mm dia MS, 200mm and 100mm dia DI water supply line pertaining to IOC flyover pertaining Banasawadi pertaining to Lingarajapura S/s AEE(E)-2-2 sub division. Indent No.(851).	**Rs. 344.17 lakhs** / **Rs. 5.17 lakhs**
4.	Providing and laying of 450mm dia MS & 300mm dia DI water supply line pertaining to Govindapura road Veerannapalya road service road junction to HBR 1st main service road (ORR) HBR service station of AEE(E)-2-1 sub division. Indent No.(848).	**Rs. 377.08 lakhs** / **Rs. 5.65 lakhs**
5.	Providing and laying of 200mm dia, 150 mm dia DI and 100 mm. dia DI water supply line at Hennur 80ft main road from Hennur junction ORR to Lingarajapuram flyover and Kammanahalli road: IOC fly over to ORR pertaining to AEE(E)-2- 1 sub division. Indent No.(850).	**Rs. 320.5 lakhs** / **Rs. 4.80 lakhs**
6.	Providing and laying of 300mm, 150mm dia DI & 100mm dia DI water supply line at Nagawara main road from ORR to Shampur road junction Hennur road Chandrika Soap Factory junction to railway gate via Vinayaka Temple Road pertaining to AEE(E)-2- 1 sub division. Indent No.(853).	**Rs. 394.00 lakhs** / **Rs. 5.91 lakhs**
7.	Providing & laying of 450mm dia MS,300,200,100mm dia water supply line from Nehru Road to Kullappa circle pertaining to Banasawadi s/s & Estimate for the work of replacement of CI pipelines by DI pipelines of 150mm and 100mm dia water supply line from Hennur Junction ORR to Lingarajapuram flyover coming under AEE(E)-2- 2 sub division. Indent No.(844).	**Rs. 297.60 lakhs** / **Rs. 4.46 lakhs**

For the above works Last date and time for Receipt of tenders will be on **15.10.2024 upto 15.00 hrs**. The bids will be opened on : **16.10.2024 after 16.00 hrs**.

Sd/- Chief Engineer (East)

The detail regarding the tender & participation in the e-procurement portal process can be obtained by logging on to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** For further details contact the above signed office during working hours.

DIPR/CP/2354/Zen/2024-25

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client **Mr. M.K.Ashoka,** S/o. Sri. Kadaiah, r/at No.365, 7th Main, Health Layout, Annapoorneshwarinagar, Nagarbhaavi, Bangalore-560091, is the agreement holder of the below-mentioned Schedule Properties. It is now represented by my client Mr. M.K.Ashoka that the Original Agreement of Sale dated 01/12/2021, executed by (i) Sri. B. S. Pandu Kumar, (ii) Sri. B. S. Vasanth Kumar, both sons of Sri. V. Sadananda, and their mother (iii) Smt. Radha in favour of Sri. M.K.Ashoka. S/o. Sri. Kadaiah, registered as document No.KNL-1-03523-2021-22, stored in CD No.KNLD1095, in the office of the Sub-registrar, Kunigal, is either misplaced or lost on 21/09/2024 while I was traveling from my home to Advocate office situated at No.892, 'Prathama' 8th A Main Road, 3rd Stage, 3rd Block, Basaveshwaranagar, Bengaluru 560 079, and it is unable to trace it. In this regard, my client Mr. M.K.Ashoka has lodged a complaint under Section-155 of Cr PC vide. **Lost Report No.1259141/2024 dated 25/09/2024.** If anyone finds any of the above original Agreement of Sale, he/she/they are requested to hand over the same to our aforesaid client or the undersigned. Also, the public are hereby cautioned that if any person/s were to deal with the said original other than my client Mr. M.K.Ashoka such person/s will not derive any right and such transaction shall not bind my client and he/she/they will be doing at his/her/their own risk and cost and will further be liable for legal consequences.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

ITEM NO.01 - ALL THAT piece and parcel of immovable agriculture land bearing (i) Sy No.21/9(Old No.21/1) measuring 01:25 (A/G) excluding karab land of 00:15 (A/G), (ii) Sy No.21/5 measuring 01:26 (A/G) including karab land of 00:14 (A/G), (iii) Sy No.21/6 measuring 01:25 (A/G) excluding karab land of 00:15 (A/G), all situated at T.Hosahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkuar District, which is bounded on: East by : Land belongs to Smt. Jayamma, W/o. Late. Gangaswamaiah and Sy No.21 Land; West by : Land belongs to Sri. B.S. Vasantha Kumar; North by : Land belongs to Sri. Doddaiah's Family; South by : 10 Ft. Road and land belonging to Anusuya Ramaiah's Property.

ITEM NO.02 - ALL THAT piece and parcel of immovable land bearing (i) Sy No.14/5 (Old No.14/1)measuring 01:37 (A/G)excluding karab land of 00:03 (A/G), (ii) Sy No.14/3measuring 03:20 (A/G) excluding karab land of 00:20 (A/G), (iii) Sy No.14/4(Old No.14/1) measuring 00:22 (A/G),all situated at T.Hosahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkuar District, which is bounded on: East by : Land belongs to B.S. Pandu Kumar and Radha. West by : Land belongs to Smt. Ningamma, W/o. Late. Ramanna. North by : Land belongs to Radha. South by : 10 Ft. road in the said property

ITEM NO.03 - ALL THAT piece and parcel of immovable land bearing (i) Sy No.14/6 (Old No.14P) measuring 01:30 (A/G)excluding karab land of 00:10 (A/G), (ii) Sy No.21/8measuring 01:25 (A/G)excluding karab land of 00:15 (A/G), (iii) Sy No.21/7measuring 01:25 (A/G) excluding karab land of 00:15 (A/G), all situated at T.Hosahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkuar District,which is bounded on: East by : Land belongs to Smt. Jayamma, W/o. Late. Gangaswamaiah and remaining portion of Land bearing in Sy.No.21. West by : Land belongs to Kambaiah and family. North by : Land belongs to Sri. Ningamma, W/o. Late. Ramanna and B.S. Pandu Kumar's Land . South by : Land belongs to Sri. B.S. Vasantha Kumar and Sri. B.S. Pandu Kumar.

Sd/- CHANDAN .V .C, Advocate, LEGAL EYES, Advocates & Solicitors, No.892 'Prathama', 8th A Main Road, 3rd Stage, 3rd Block, Basaveshwaranagar, Bengaluru-560 079. Mob: +91-99020 75252
Place: Bangalore Date: 04.10.2024

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Chief Commissioner,
Annex Building-1, N.R. Square, Bengaluru - 560 002

No:BBMP/C.Comm/PSR(G)/1919/2024-25 **FORM III** **Date: 04.10.2024**

PUBLIC NOTICE

In exercise of powers conferred under section 14-B of the Karnataka Town and Country Planning Act 1961 the following 'Area' mentioned in the schedule below is required by the Chief Commissioner, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike for Acquisition of Land required for Formation of Road and Underground Drain from Bannerghatta Main Road to Madivala Tank for implementing the proposals of the Local Authority.

The following land / building owners have opted for Development Rights in lieu of monetary compensation under the Right to Fair Compensation and transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013. The Development Rights will be given by the Authority as twice the land area surrendered and two times the building area surrendered and as estimated by the value of the building area surrendered (valuated as per PWD norms) divided by the market value of the land on which the building is constructed.

The public is hereby informed about the details of the land and land owners and interested persons whose lands are required for the public purpose and Development Right Certificate (DRCs) are to be issued in lieu of monetary compensation. Any objections and suggestions are to be addressed to the Special Land Acquisition officer, O/o the Deputy Commissioner (Land Acquisition and TDR) Head Office, BBMP within thirty days from the date of publication of this Notification.

List of land / building area surrendered and land owners for which DRC is to be issued.

Name of the District: **Bangalore Urban** Name of the Taluk: **Bangalore South** Name of the Village: **Bilekahalli Village**

SL No.	Sy. No/ Khatha No.	Type of Land: Vacant	Type of Land: Built up	Nature of Land: Agriculture	Nature of Land: Converted undeveloped	Nature of Land: Approved Layout / developed Land Building Site	Dimension of the Land/ Plot & Extent in Sq.M: Dimension	Dimension of the Land/ Plot & Extent in Sq.M: Extent	Boundaries of the Land / Plot: North	Boundaries of the Land / Plot: South	Boundaries of the Land / Plot: East	Boundaries of the Land / Plot: West	Building Details: Extent in Sq.M	Building Details: Type of Construction & No.of Floors	Building Details: Floor Area Ratio	Present Activity on Land/Building (Specify Specific activity such as Shop, Office, Factory, Apartment, Individual house etc.,	Market (guide -lines) value of the land Per Sq.M	Name and address of the owner of the plot/Land for Which DRC is to be issued
1	Sy. No. 50/3	Vacant			Converted BBMP A Khatha Land			394.64	Remaining portion of sy. No. 49	Remaining portion of sy. No. 50/3	Sy. No. 49	Sy. No. 50/2	None	None	None	Vacant	54,000/-	Syed Aleemullah S/o Lt. Syed Abdu Jaleel # 13/14 7th Cross Aleem Street Panduranga Nagar Bangalore South Bangalore-560076.
2	Sy. No. 49	Vacant			Converted BBMP A Khatha Land			505.80	Remaining portion of sy. No. 49	Remaining portion of sy. No. 49	Sy. No. 48	Sy. No. 50/3	None	None	None	Vacant	54,000/-	Syed Aleemullah S/o Lt. Syed Abdu Jaleel # 13/14 7th Cross Aleem Street Panduranga Nagar Bangalore South Bangalore-560076
3	Sy. No. 48	Vacant			Converted BBMP A Khatha Land			300.00	Remaining portion of sy. No. 48	Remaining portion of sy. No. 48	Sy. No. 45	Sy. No. 49	None	None	None	Vacant	54,000/-	Syed Aleemullah S/o Lt. Syed Abdu Jaleel # 13/14 7th Cross Aleem Street Panduranga Nagar Bangalore South Bangalore-560076
4	Sy. No. 45	Vacant			Converted BBMP A Khatha Land			1133.44	Remaining portion of sy. No. 45	Remaining portion of sy. No. 45	Sy. No. 44/2	Sy. No. 48	None	None	None	Vacant	54,000/-	Syed Aleemullah S/o Lt. Syed Abdu Jaleel # 13/14 7th Cross Aleem Street Panduranga Nagar Bangalore South Bangalore-560076
5	Sy. No. 44/2	Vacant			Converted BBMP A Khatha Land			858.80	Remaining portion of sy. No. 44/2	Remaining portion of sy. No. 44/2	Sy. No. 44/1	Sy. No. 45	None	None	None	Vacant	54,000/-	Syed Aleemullah S/o Lt. Syed Abdu Jaleel # 13/14 7th Cross Aleem Street Panduranga Nagar Bangalore South Bangalore-560076
6	Sy. No. 44/1	Vacant			Converted BBMP A Khatha Land			914.80	Remaining portion of sy. No. 44/1	Remaining portion of sy. No. 44/1	Sy. No. 64	Sy. No. 44/2	None	None	None	Vacant	54,000/-	Syed Aleemullah S/o Lt. Syed Abdu Jaleel # 13/14 7th Cross Aleem Street Panduranga Nagar Bangalore South Bangalore-560076

Note: Market guideline value of this property is considered subject to conditions of payment of fee as per Government Order No. ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಆದೇಶ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ನಅಇ 137 ಎಂಎಸ್‌ಯು 2024 (ಇ), ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ದಿನಾಂಕ:09.09.2024.

Objections and suggestions made be submitted at the address specified below:

Name and address of the divisional / Sub divisional / branch offices	Deputy Commissioner, Land Acquisition & TDR, 2nd Floor, Room No: 208, Annex Building-3, N.R. Square, BBMP, Bangalore-560002.

Sd/- Chief Commissioner, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike

BANGALORE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD

INVITATION FOR TENDER (Only through kpp portal)

BWSSB invites tenders in Two cover system from eligible tenderers for the following works.

Office of the Chief Engineer (South), 7th Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bangalore-560 009.

Sl. No.	Name of work	Amount put to tender EMD Amount
No.	**BWSSB/EIC/CE(S)/ACE(S)-I/DCE(M)-I/TA(S)/5303/2024-25**	**Date: 04.10.2024**
1	Work of Providing laying and linking of 100mm dia DI water supply missing bit pipeline along with DI Valves to Anjanapura BDA layout, JP Nagar 9th phase 1st to 7th block BDA layout Vismaya garden, Doddakallasandra and surrounding areas coming under Narayana nagara Service Station of AEE(S)-1-3 Sub division.	**Rs.158.06 Lakhs** / **Rs.2.37 Lakhs**

The last date for submission of completed tender document is on 19.10.2024 upto 15.00 hrs. and the bids will be opened on 21.10.2024 after 16.00 hrs.

No.	**BWSSB/EIC/CE(S)/ACE(S)-II/DCE(M)-I/TA(S)/5304/2024-25**	**Date: 04.10.2024**
2	Work of Providing & Laying 100mm to 300mm dia DI water pipeline in place 75/100mm of dia, 300mm dia Ci water pipeline to improve water Supply as BBMP had proposed Comprehensive development of 1) 3rd main road (Rameshwara temple road) Chamrajpet from 9th Cross chamrajpet to Pampa mahakavi road Chamrajpet, 2) 2nd main road Chamrajpet from 9th cross chamrajpet to Pampa mahakavi road Chamrajpet, 3) 4th main road Chamrajpet from 9th cross chamrajpet to Pampa mahakavi road Chamrajpet 4) sultan road from Mysore road to 5th main road Chamrajpet and 5) Pampa mahakavi road from Minto Hospital to 5th main road in Chamrajpet ward 140 coming under Chamrajapet Service station under AEESW-2 sub division. **(Call-3)**	**Rs.349.50 Lakhs** / **Rs.5.24 Lakhs**
No.	**BWSSB/EIC/CE(S)/ACE(S)-II/DCE(M)-I/TA(S)/5305/2024-25**	**Date: 04.10.2024**
3	Work of Providing & Laying 100mm, 150mm,250mm, 300mm, 400mm, 450mm, 700mm dia DI and MS water pipeline in place of 75/100mm dia, 150mm dia 250mm, 300mm, 400mm, 450mm, 700mm dia Ci water pipeline to improve Supply water to Chamrajpet area as BBMP had proposed Comprehensive development of Chamrajpet 5th main road from K.R.Road to 9th cross road under in Chamrajpet ward 140 coming under Chamrajapet Service station under AEESW-2 sub division. **(Call-3)**	**Rs.362.34 Lakhs** / **Rs.5.43 Lakhs**
No.	**BWSSB/EIC/CE(S)/ACE(S)-II/DCE(M)-I/TA(S)/5306/2024-25**	**Date: 04.10.2024**
4	Work of Providing and laying of 150mm, 200mm DI & 450 mm dia MS water pipeline at HareKrishna road to Mourya Hotel Junction, AS Char street, KR Circle to Gopal Gowda Circle, Mysore Bank circle to KR Circle, Ananda Rao Circle to Old JDS road, Palace cross road, Kilari road, and BT street, coming under Chikkalalbagh and LLR Service Station of AEE SW-1 sub division. **(Call-3)**	**Rs.392.39 Lakhs** / **Rs.5.88 Lakhs**

The last date for submission of completed tender document is on 14.10.2024 upto 15.00 hrs. and the bids will be opened on 15.10.2024 after 17.00 hrs.

Sd/- Chief Engineer (South)

The details regarding the tender and participation in the e-procurement process can be obtained by logging on to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**. For further details contact the undersigned office during working hours.

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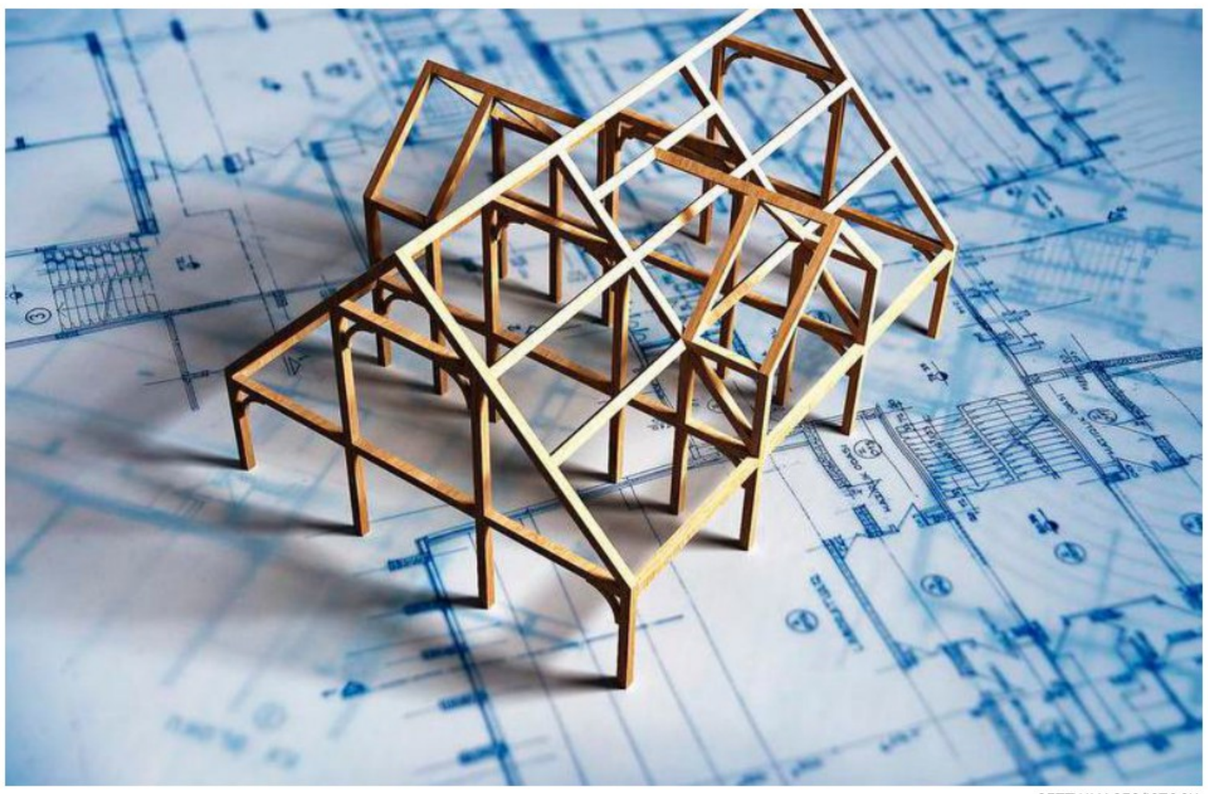
Public sector projects key to nation-building

Architects bear a significant responsibility in shaping these structures that cater to the needs of all citizens

Anand Sharma

Architecture and design are not merely the creation of aesthetically pleasing structures; they are powerful tools that shape human behaviour, influence culture, and reflect the values and aspirations of a society. From the towering skyscrapers that dominate our cities to the humble homes that shelter our families, architecture plays a profound role in our lives, affecting our physical and mental well-being, our interactions with others, and our sense of place in the world.



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Symbolising progress

As architects, we know the significance of public sector projects in contributing to the ongoing nation-building process. These projects, funded by public funds and intended for the general public, bear the weight of symbolising the progress, pride, prosperity, and growth of our nation. They stand as testaments to our society's democratic values and our relentless pursuit of development. Public sector projects are vital in nation-building, serving as tangible symbols of a nation's progress, pride, and prosperity. Architects bear a significant responsibility in shaping these projects, ensuring they embody democratic principles and cater to the needs of all citizens.

First, public sector projects must be democratic in their design, providing equal access and opportunities for all users. It extends to allocating amenities, spaces, and circulation facilities, ensuring that no group is privileged over another.

Second, these projects must be relatable to the people they serve, reflecting the regional context regarding materials, motifs, and architectural language. Further, it fosters a sense of belonging and connection, making the project a meaningful part of the community.

Finally, public sector projects must be contextually relevant, harmonising with both the spatial and temporal aspects of their surroundings. They should integrate seamlessly with the local environment, using materials and design elements that resonate with the region's cultural heritage.

By adhering to these principles of relatability, democracy, and contextual relevance, architects can create public spaces that foster inclusivity, promote progress, and inspire pride for generations to come. Public sector projects, when thoughtfully designed, can serve as powerful catalysts for nation-building, shaping a society that is equitable, progressive, and deeply connected to its cultural heritage.

Local cultural norms

When it comes to on-ground research, contextuality is of paramount relevance in architecture. For instance, how people use public buildings varies significantly across regions, influenced by local predispositions and cultural norms. For instance, pedestrian-friendly cities such as Kolkata embrace public spaces with pride, as evidenced by the enthusiastic reception of the Dakshineswar Skywalk. Understanding local affinities and how people interact with public spaces is crucial for creating meaningful public architecture. While cold data on weather and climate is essential, nothing replaces the on-ground experience of immersing oneself in the site. Standing on the actual footprint allows architects to feel the land, appreciate its unique characteristics, and make informed design decisions.

Immersive experience

A notable example is a project in Delhi where the entire arrival courtyard was reimagined to incorporate a beautiful tree after the site visit revealed its unexpected beauty. One has to be present on site and realise the contextual permutations of nature around that land parcel. On-ground research is about feeling the site, becoming one with the environment, and letting the land speak to the architect's creativity. It is through this immersive experience that we can create genuinely responsive and contextually relevant public architecture.

Real estate's biggest pitfall lies in its tendency to be perceived as more than it truly is. The surge in housing demand often stems from an individual's fundamental aspiration to own a home. Just as a seller on pedestrian dreams of owning a small shop, this desire reflects the growing ambitions of a developing nation like ours.

Negative effects

However, the negative social impact of real estate often arises when regulatory and planning agencies fail to fulfil their obligations. Consider Gurugram, a city adorned with glitzy malls and opulent residential complexes, yet its infrastructure remains woefully inadequate. Roads dating back to the 18th century, erratic power supply, and dilapidated conditions belie the city's aspirational façade.

This disconnect between aspirations and reality fuels cynicism and erodes trust in real estate. The stark contrast between India's burgeoning real estate sector and its lagging infrastructure, particularly in Northern India, highlights the failure of regulatory and development agencies to fulfil their responsibilities.

Real estate's true potential lies not in creating glamorous enclaves but in harmonising development with infrastructure growth. Only when regulatory bodies prioritise infrastructure development will real estate fulfil its promise of elevating living standards and fostering a more equitable society.

The writer is Founder and Partner, Design Forum International.

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Ex-chiefs of BC panel to meet CM to press for caste census report implementation

Siddaramaiah says the report and the subject of internal quota for SCs and STs will be placed before Cabinet

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A delegation led by four former chairpersons of the Karnataka State Commission for Backward Classes – C.S. Dwarakanath, Ravivarma Kumar, H. Kantharaj, and Jayaprakash Hegde – will meet Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday to apprise him of the necessity of implementing the Socio-Economic and Educational Survey report, popularly known as 'caste census', and other demands of the other backward classes (OBCs) in the State.

Meanwhile, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah in Koppal said the caste census report and the subject related to providing internal quota for the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes would be placed before the State Cabinet for a detailed discussion.

OBC leaders had held a meeting on Thursday and discussed the necessity of implementing the caste census report.

Socio-Economic and Educational Survey, popularly known as caste census, was conducted during the first term of the Siddaramaiah-led government and the report was submitted in February 2024. FILE PHOTO

Guarantee Implementation Committee chairperson H.M. Revanna on Friday underlined the necessity of implementing the caste census report, which has been strongly opposed by the dominant communities of Vokkaligas and Veerashaiva-Lingayats. The caste census was conducted during the first term of the Siddaramaiah-led government.

"The caste census report is significant to realise benefits in this caste-based system," Mr. Revanna said.

The caste census report was submitted to the government in February 2024 and it was not placed before the State Cabinet apparently fearing backlash just before the Lok Sabha polls.

Mr. Revanna said the delegation would seek implementation of political reservation for OBCs in the local body elections. "There's been a delay and the matter is in court. It must be set right so that OBC leadership is groomed," he said.

The other demands of the OBCs include priority for community candidates in appointments to various boards and corporations and appointment of a new chairperson for the backward classes commission. OBC leaders have also discussed strategies to support Mr. Siddaramaiah, who belongs to the Kuruba community, following a court-ordered investigation in the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) scam.

Meetings trigger speculation on Dalit leaders seeking top post if CM quits

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

As the High Court of Karnataka-ordered investigation is going on against Chief Minister Siddaramaiah in the alleged irregularities in the allotment of 14 sites to his wife, Parvathi, by the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), Dalit leaders in the ruling Congress seem to be putting a lot of effort to claim the top post in case the incumbent quits.

Minister for Public Works and Belagavi district in charge Satish Jarkiholi called on AICC president M. Mallikarjun Kharge in New Delhi on Thursday and reportedly discussed the necessity of providing the top post to an SC/ST candidate in the event of Mr. Siddaramaiah being forced to quit.

Satish Jarkiholi

A few days ago, Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar and Home Minister G. Parameshwara, a Dalit leader, huddled at the latter's residence and reportedly discussed political developments following the alleged MUDA scam. Mr. Shivakumar, seen as a key player in the party's victory in the 2023 Assembly polls, has been nursing the ambition of becoming the Chief Minister.

Dr. Parameshwara, former KPCC chief, too has been eyeing the top post for a long time. On many occasions, the Home Minister has raised the issue of why the Chief Minister's post has been elusive to Dalit leaders, including himself and Mr. Kharge, despite them having all political credentials.

'Just courtesy call'

Meanwhile, after returning from the national capital, Mr. Jarkiholi told reporters that his meeting with Mr. Kharge was just a courtesy call. However, the timing of his meeting with the AICC president provided fodder for speculation. According to sources in the party, the Minister discussed the MUDA land scam during the meeting with Mr. Kharge.

To a question about the high command pressuring Mr. Siddaramaiah to resign, the Belagavi leader said only Opposition parties have been demanding the resignation of the Chief Minister. He said, "The ED has been investigating the case and the truth will come to the fore."

The Congress lost the opportunity to appoint a Dalit Chief Minister after the Assembly polls in 2004, 2013, and 2023.

Tabassum Rao complains to women's panel against BJP

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Tabassum Rao, wife of Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao, on Friday complained to the Karnataka State Women's Commission against the BJP for "its continuous derogatory and communal references" against her.

In her complaint, Ms. Rao referred to the disparaging remarks against her, referring to her community, made by the BJP on X. "As the wife of Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao, I have been subjected to unwarranted attacks and communal references, simply because of my marriage and my Muslim faith."

Ms. Rao said she had already filed a defamation suit against BJP leader Basanagouda Patil Yatnal for his derogatory comments, but it has "become a routine, with BJP leaders and their social media handles targeting me repeatedly."

R. Ashok

I have got a clean chit in land case: Ashok

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly R. Ashok, against whom four Ministers led by Home Minister G. Parameshwara, held a press conference recently to make allegations of land grab, hit back at the Congress accusing them of dragging him into a case in which he had already got a clean chit.

Ministers' claim

The Ministers had said that Mr. Ashok had returned 32 guntas of land, acquired by Bangalore Development Authority (BDA), that he had purchased in 2011 to evade an inquiry against him. The Ministers pointed out that given he had himself returned the land that had led to a case against him, it was hypocritical of him to term the return of 14 sites by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's wife as "acceptance of guilt".

Mr. Ashok claimed that while he returned the land before the court order, Mr. Siddaramaiah did so after FIRs were filed against him. "The then Governor H.R. Bharadwaj did not order an inquiry against me in the case. The High Court also said an inquiry was not necessary," he said.

'Doing my job'

Responding to the letter by Mr. Siddaramaiah's wife Ms. Parvathi in which she appealed not to drag the families of politicians into controversies, Mr. Ashok said he concurred with her and said he desisted from making personal attacks and had never attacked her. "I am only doing my job as a leader of the Opposition," he said.

MUDA 'scam': Lokayukta police conduct inspection of sites

The Hindu Bureau
MYSURU

Activist Snehamayi Krishna was asked by the Lokayukta police to be present during the process

The Lokayukta police on Friday conducted an inspection of the 14 sites allotted by the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's wife, Parvathi, at Vijayanagar 3rd and 4th stages in Mysuru.

Though the sites were handed back to MUDA by Ms. Parvathi earlier this week, the Lokayukta police, who have begun an investigation into the alleged irregularities in the allotment of sites based on an FIR lodged by activist Snehamayi Krishna, visited the sites along with a team of officials from MUDA and surveyors.

Mr. Krishna was also asked by the Lokayukta police to be present during the inspection of sites. Mr. Krishna told reporters that he expected the Lokayukta police to summon the accused after gathering all the evidence. "They have collected documents from MUDA and the tahsildar's office. More documents may have to be collected," he said.

Details submitted to ED

He said he appeared before the Directorate of Enforcement (ED) in Bengaluru on Thursday in response to the summons and submitted to them the details they had sought.

Apart from submitting the documents running up to 500 pages pertaining to the alleged irregularities in the allotment of sites to the Chief Minister's wife, Mr. Krishna said he had submitted details about himself and his family's profile, income, and bank accounts as sought by the ED. However, most of the documents were in Kannada and the ED officials have made a note of them.

Mr. Krishna said he had informed the ED about alleged "illegal cash transactions" and claimed that "bribes" worth crores of rupees had been obtained in the form of sites through "settlement deeds".

JD(S) calls complainant in HDK case 'fraudster'

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

SIT should be formed to probe against the complainant, says the party

The Janata Dal (Secular) on Friday described the complainant against Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy in the alleged extortion case as a "fraudster" and demanded a probe by the Special Investigation Team (SIT) against him.

JD(S) leaders, led by former MLC H.M. Ramesh Gowda, also staged a protest outside the Police Commissioner's office and Amruthahalli police station in Bengaluru where a first information report has been registered against Mr. Kumaraswamy and Mr. Gowda for allegedly demanding ₹50 crore from a Bengaluru-based realtor and threatening him with dire consequences if he failed to pay.

Addressing presspersons at the party office in Bengaluru, the former MLC accused the complainant, Vijay Tata, of deceiving many people and demanded the formation of an SIT to ensure justice for the victims. "Hundreds of cases have been filed against him and he is known for fraudulent activities. Cases against him are not just limited to Karnataka but also registered in Nagpur, Pune, and Mumbai. An SIT should be formed to investigate this," he said.

Alleging that his phone was being tapped by the State's Internal Security Division, Mr. Gowda said: "I will file a complaint with the Police Commissioner regarding this, and an investigation must be conducted."

Pressure from CMO

He also claimed that Mr. Vijay Tata had personally told him at a police station that there was pressure from the Chief Minister's office (CMO) and some Ministers to file cases against him and Mr. Kumaraswamy. "Let them review the CCTV camera footage from the police station," he demanded.

Accusing the realtor of long-standing fraudulent activities, Mr. Gowda said: "In 2006-2007 and 2008, he promised to build a European Township and even brought two helicopters for a ceremony. Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) exposed him, stating that there was no land for any such layout."

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INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB)
1st Corrigendum to Bid Identification No CCEKC - 16/2024-25

The following changes are made to the works invited vide Bid Identification No CCEKC - 16/2024-25 vide Letter No.4380 dt. 21.09.2024.

1. The bid documents in the website **www.tendersodisha.gov.in** will be available in the web site from **11.00 Hours of 09.10.2024 to 16.00 Hours of 24.10.2024** for online bidding.
2. Bids shall be received only on "online" on or before **16.00 Hours of 24.10.2024**.
3. Bids received **"on-line"** shall be **opened at 11:30 Hours on 25.10.2024** in the office of the Chief Construction Engineer, Keonjhar (R&B) Circle, Keonjhar.
4. If the office happens to be closed on the stipulated date of opening of Bids as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue.

All other terms & conditions remained unchanged.

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No: BBMP/C.Comm/PSR(G)/1903/2024-25 FORM - III Date: 01-10-2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

In exercise of powers conferred under section **14-B of the Karnataka Town and Country Planning Act 1961** the following 'Area' mentioned in the schedule below is required by The Chief Commissioner, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike for **Widening of Horamavu to Kalkere Road - Outer Ring Road (Banaswadi Bridge) to Dr. Rajkumar Circle (Phase-I) - for implementing the proposals of the Approved Master Plan for the width of 24.00 mtrs for implementing the proposals of the Approved Master Plan - 2015 for the width of 24.00 mtrs.**

The following land / building owners have opted for Development Rights in lieu of monetary compensation under the Right to Fair Compensation and transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013. The Development Rights will be given by the Authority as twice the land area surrendered and two times the building area surrendered and as estimated by the value of the building area surrendered (valuated as per PWD norms) divided by the market value of the land on which the building is constructed.

The public is hereby informed about the details of the land and land owners and interested persons whose lands are required for the public purpose and Development Right Certificate (DRCs) are to be issued in lieu of monetary compensation. Any objections and suggestions are to be addressed to the Special Land Acquisition Officer, O/o the Deputy Commissioner (Land Acquisition and TDR) Head Office, BBMP within thirty days from the date of publication of this Notification.

List of Land / Building area surrendered and land owners for which DRC is to be issued.

Name of the District: **Bengaluru Urban** Name of the Taluk: **Bengaluru East** Name of the Village: **Kalkere**

Sl. No.	Sy.No/ Khatha No.	Type of Land		Nature of Land	Dimension of the Land/ Plot & Extent in Sq.m	Boundaries of the Land / Plot				Building Details			Present Activity on Land/Building (Specify Specific activity such as Shop, Office, Factory, Apartment, Individual house etc.,	Market (guide -lines) value of the land Per Sq.m (in Rs.)	Name and address of the owner of the Plot/Land forwhich DRC is to be issued
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Objections and suggestions made be submitted at the address specified below:

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Laddu row: Naidu hails SC order to constitute SIT

The Hindu Bureau
VIJAYAWADA

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu has welcomed the Supreme Court order to constitute an "independent" five-member Special Investigation Team (SIT), comprising two officers each of the CBI and the Andhra Pradesh Police and an expert from the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) to inquire into the alleged adulteration of ghee used in the preparation of the Tirumala *laddu prasadam* during the previous YSRCP regime.

In a message posted on the 'X' on Friday, the Chief Minister also said that 'truth alone triumphs' (*Satyameva Jayate*).

Respond to 'non-disbursal' of aid for landslide-hit Wayanad: HC to Centre

Report by *amicus curiae* says the Centre has not released any amount from the NDRF and PMNRF; it says neighbouring States received funds from NDRF as interim financial assistance during natural disasters while Kerala didn't get any relief

The Hindu Bureau
KOCHI

A Division Bench of the Kerala High Court on Friday asked the Union government to respond to a statement that no amount has been released from the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) and the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund (PMNRF) for providing relief to those affected by the landslides in Wayanad on July 30.

The Bench of Justice A.K. Jayasankaran Nambiar and Justice Syam Kumar V.M., while referring to the statement in a report filed by the *amicus curiae*, observed that this aspect required to be considered by the authorities which controlled the disbursal of the NDRF and the PMNRF.

Nature's fury: A file photo of a site in Wayanad that was affected by landslides on July 30.

In the statement, Ranjith Thampan, *amicus curiae*, submitted that Prime Minister Narendra Modi and a team of Central officials had visited the area. It was understood that the State government had submitted a memorandum seeking adequate amount for the relief and rehabilitation of the landslides-hit. However, after 57 days since the disaster, the Centre had not awarded any grant or amount promised by Mr. Modi.

It was a usual practice that in the case of major disasters, an interim financial assistance was awarded without waiting for the final assessment of damage. Neighbouring States such as Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Telangana had been allocated a significant amount from the NDRF without waiting for the final assessment of damage.

The court directed the State government to ensure that the Vigilance and Monitoring Committees at the State, district and divisional levels constituted to prevent unauthorised and illegal quarrying are revived.

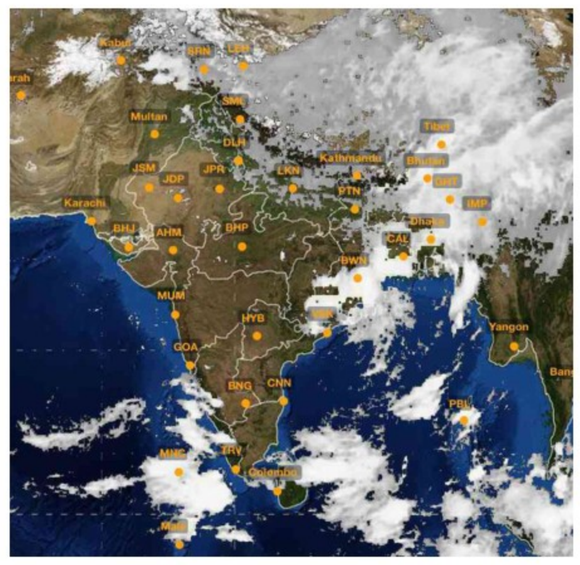
Defunct committees

The *amicus curiae* said the committees had become defunct and reactivation of these committees was essential in the wake of the landslides. The court observed that there should be regulation of activities such as construction of tall buildings in areas in Wayanad where landslides had occurred or are prone to landslides.

The Bench asked the State government to produce a cost statement of the amount estimated for the response and relief measure.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 18.00 HRS)

Forecast for Saturday: Heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Tripura, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Karaikal and Kerala. Thunderstorm with lightning likely at isolated places over Sikkim, West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand, Telangana, coastal Andhra Pradesh, central Maharashtra and interior Karnataka

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	9.2	32.2	25.2	Kozhikode	—	33.6	26.2
Ahmedabad	—	34.4	26.2	Kurnool	24	34.4	23.9
Aizawl	43	31.7	22.5	Lucknow	—	35.9	24.8
Allahabad	—	36.6	25.8	Madurai	—	37.8	26.0
Bengaluru	0.2	29.4	21.2	Mangaluru	—	31.8	25.0
Bhopal	—	33.7	23.5	Mumbai	—	32.7	25.8
Bhubaneswar	—	35.6	26.4	Mysuru	—	32.5	20.0
Chandigarh	—	35.7	22.4	New Delhi	—	36.5	24.8
Chennai	—	36.2	26.4	Patna	—	33.2	26.4
Coimbatore	—	34.8	24.3	Port Blair	46	30.4	24.1
Dehradun	—	33.2	20.6	Puducherry	—	35.3	23.4
Gangtok	3	19.7	17.5	Pune	—	33.3	23.8
Goa	8	32.5	26.0	Raipur	19.3	34.6	24.9
Guwahati	29	25.5	23.9	Ranchi	—	30.4	23.0
Hubballi	—	31.0	22.0	Shillong	2.3	19.4	17.4
Hyderabad	0.1	32.8	23.3	Shimla	—	27.3	16.0
Imphal	2	26.2	19.9	Srinagar	—	29.6	11.5
Jaipur	—	36.2	26.4	Thiruvananthapuram	1	32.7	25.6
Kochi	—	31.0	26.0	Tiruchi	—	38.9	27.0
Kohima	2	23.2	16.9	Vijayawada	—	36.4	25.4
Kolkata	5	31.0	25.9	Visakhapatnam	—	35.2	27.6

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing

CITIES	SO_2	NO_2	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	.11	..26	.23	...176	...124	
Bengaluru	.10	..—	.61	46	...113	
Chennai	...6	.31	106	.....—	62	
Delhi	.46	..76	.25	...240	...401	
Hyderabad	...9	..36	.60	54	82	
Kolkata	...4	..46	.66	88	78	
Lucknow	.10	..10	.42	...131	86	
Mumbai	..—	113	.28	32	32	
Pune	..—	..60	.72	42	63	
Visakhapatnam	..—	..—	.46	.....—	.....—	.....—

Yesterday

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Muzaffarnagar, Uttar Pradesh recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 242 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast, Naharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh recorded a healthy AQI score of 9

Air Quality Code: Poor | Moderate | Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO_2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO_2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Apex court restrains police action against Isha Foundation

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Thursday restrained the Tamil Nadu police from taking "any further action" against the Isha Foundation, a non-profit spiritual organisation founded by Jaggi Vasudev, alias Sadhguru.

The order by a three-judge Bench headed by Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chandrachud followed a petition filed by the organisation complaining that a huge contingent of police personnel had raided the ashram in Coimbatore following a Madras High Court direction on September 30.

The High Court had ordered an investigation into allegations raised by a man in a *habeas corpus* petition.

The man said his two daughters, aged 42 and 39 years, were being held captive in the ashram. In addition, others were also coerced to live in the ashram, he had alleged.

Senior advocate Mukul Rohatgi, for the foundation, said a 500-strong police force, which he later toned down to 150, had "examined everyone and every room" of the ashram. He said such incursions affected the contours of religious freedoms.

"You cannot allow the Army or the police to be let in an establishment like this," Chief Justice Chandrachud reacted verbally.

Kerala HC convicts eight in 2015 murder of DYFI worker

The Hindu Bureau
KOCHI

A Division Bench of the Kerala High Court on Friday found guilty eight accused who were acquitted by the Kozhikode Additional Sessions Court in the murder of Democratic Youth Federation of India (DYFI) activist C.K. Shibin of Nadapuram.

The prosecution case was that Shibin, 19, was murdered by an armed gang, allegedly owing allegiance to the Indian Union Muslim League, at Vellur, near Thooneri, in 2015.

The Special Additional Sessions Court (Marad cases) had acquitted all 17 accused in the murder case on the ground that the prosecution had failed to prove the case beyond reasonable doubt.

To appear on Oct. 15

The High Court ordered the accused to appear before it on October 15 for hearing them on the sentences to be awarded to them.

Those convicted by the High Court are first accused Ismail, his brother and second accused Muneer, third accused Aslam, fourth accused Siddique, fifth accused Muhammed Anees, sixth accused Shuhaib, 15th accused Jasim, and 16th accused Samad.

The Bench passed the order on an appeal filed by the State government against the acquittal of the accused.

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Dated : 25-09-2024

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No. DPUE-SPR10SKET(NSSK)/1/2024 Date:04.10.2024

SHORT-TERM RE-TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal Only)

To Supply the Sports Materials Kit for the Sports Team including Students, Manager and Coach Participating in 2024-25 National Level Games from the Sports Section, Department of School Education (Pre-University), the following re-tender has been called in KPP Portal.

(1) Explanation: **To Issue Sports Kit to the Sports Team including Students, Manager and Coach participating in 2024-25 National Level Games, the following re-tender has been called in KPP Portal.** Tender No: **PUED/2024-25/IND0009.** Amount: **Rs. 38,11,766.00.** The tender details are available in the website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** The date for the commencement of e-tender is **04.10.2024** and Last date is **12.10.2024 at 5.00 P.M.** For more details contact e-Procurement portal.

Sd/- Director, Department of School Education, (PU)

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Office of the Executive Engineer, Kengeri Division, R.R. Nagara Zone, BBMP Building, CA No-3, 1st Main Road, Outer Ring Road, Kommaghatta Road, Kengeri Upanagar, Bengaluru - 560 060
No: EE/KEN/TEND/08/2024-25 **Date: 04.10.2024**

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)
(Tender Notification) (Two Cover System) (Call-1)
(Through **GOK** KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** only)

The Executive Engineer, Kengeri Division, BBMP, Bengaluru invites tenders from eligible Tenderers for the Construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Ward Nos.	Approximate Value of Work (₹. in Lakhs)	EMD (in ₹.)	No. of Works	Category
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2.	26	53.37	53,500/-	01	SC
3.	27	52.54 to 69.49	1,05,100/- to 1,39,000/-	02	Others
4.	27	53.36	53,500/-	01	SC
5.	28	46.61 to 72.03	93,500/- to 1,44,100/-	02	Others
6.	29	46.61 to 72.01	93,500/- to 1,44,100/-	02	Others
7.	30	46.60	46,700/-	01	ST
8.	30	16.94	42,500/-	01	Others
9.	30	59.30	59,500/-	01	SC
10.	31	46.60	46,700/-	01	SC
11.	31	59.28	59,500/-	01	ST
12.	32	63.55	1,27,200/-	01	Others
13.	33	27.96	56,000/-	01	Others
Single Cover System-Call-1					
14.	28	33.89	33,900/-	01	SC
15.	28	13.55	34,000/-	01	Others
16.	29	8.45 to 33.85	21,125/- to 67,800/-	02	Others
17.	30	6.78	17,000/-	01	Others
18.	31	12.70	31,800/-	01	Others
19.	32	12.70 to 42.35	31,800/- to 84,800/-	02	Others
20.	33	15.67 to 42.36	39,200/- to 84,800/-	05	Others
Total No. of Works				30	

Calendar of Events : (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the kpp portal from **09.10.2024 @ 4:00** pm. (2) Prebid Meeting will be held on **14.10.2024 @ 3:00**pm O/o Chief Engineer, Ideal Homes, Rajarajeswari Nagar Zone, Bengaluru-98 (3) Last Date & Time for Receipt of Tenders on **16.10.2024** upto **4:00** pm. (4) Opening of Bids is on **18.10.2024** at **4:00** pm.

Sd/- Executive Engineer Kengeri Division

VISVESVARAYA TRADE PROMOTION CENTRE
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No.:VTPC/AD/GI PAVILION/2024-25 Date:04.10.2024

Tender for Selection of Construction Firm for carrying out Interior Works of the proposed Karnataka Pavilion at the Domestic-Bay of Terminal-2, KIAL, Bengaluru
(Through e-Procurement only)

Visvesvaraya Trade Promotion Centre (VTPC), the nodal agency for promotion of exports from Karnataka, proposes to select a Construction Firm for carrying out Interior Works of the proposed Karnataka Pavilion at the Domestic-Bay of Terminal-2, KIAL, Bengaluru through e-tender.

Tender Document containing details of eligibility criteria, scope of work and other terms and conditions may be obtained from the website of e-procurement Department, Government of Karnataka. The last date for submission of Tenders at **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** is on **05.11.2024 at 5.00 pm.** VTPC reserves the right to cancel the tender/reject any or all Proposals without assigning any reason, whatsoever.

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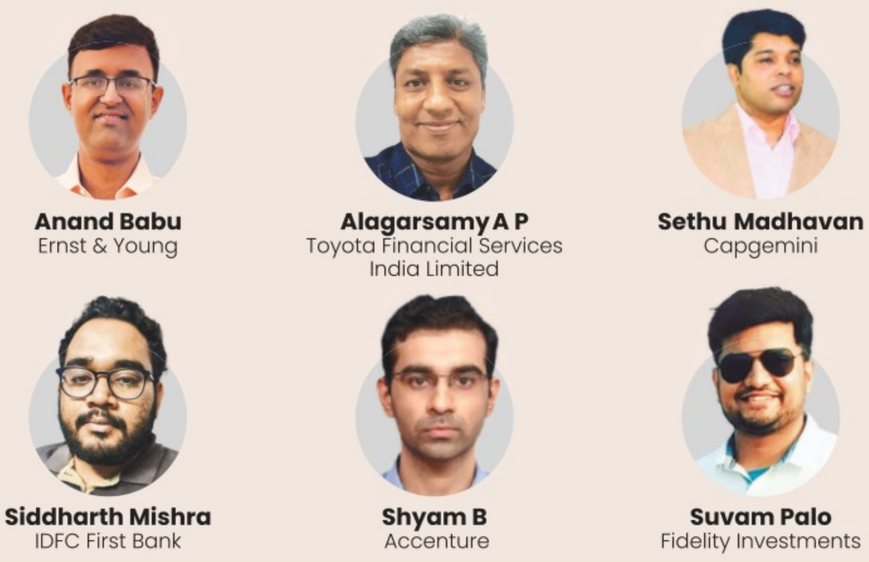

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Caste in jail

Time for State governments to end systemic discrimination in prisons

The most notable aspect of the Supreme Court ruling prohibiting caste-based discrimination in the treatment of prisoners is that it required a judgment from the highest court to end colonial practices and systems in prisons. While the Court has dealt elaborately with specific rules in the jail manuals of various States and the way in which caste-based hierarchy plays a role in allocation of duties, classification of prisoners, and the treatment of certain social groups as "habitual offenders", it is quite remarkable that prison authorities and State governments had done so little about these aspects since independence. It is as if the prison system has been out of the reach of the core philosophy of the Constitution: the ushering in of an equal society, the ending of all forms of discrimination, the prohibition of untouchability in any form, and the abolition of forced labour and exploitation. Responding to journalist Sukanya Shantha's writ petition, the Court has analysed the controversial rules and practices in jails in the backdrop of these constitutional objectives. It has ruled such provisions unconstitutional, and directed the revision of prison manuals within three months. Tracing the history of such rules and practices, the Court has noted, with much justification: "In line with their overall approach, the colonial administrators linked caste with prison administration of labour, food, and treatment of prisoners."

Not only were menial work and supposedly polluting occupations allocated to prisoners from communities placed lower in the caste hierarchy, some were expected to carry out their "hereditary trades" within prisons, the Court found. On the other hand, the caste privileges of a few placed higher were preserved. Few can disagree with the observation that "the notion that an occupation is considered as 'degrading or menial' is an aspect of the caste system and untouchability." The provision that food must be cooked by prisoners from a "suitable caste" and rules that referred to those from the "scavenger class" being assigned tasks such as manual scavenging, sweeping, and cleaning violated the constitutional prohibition against untouchability. Distribution of labour cannot be solely based on birth. Such rules violate the right to dignity and the right against forced labour and exploitation. The Court has also favoured doing away with vague definitions of 'habitual offenders', as they seem to ascribe criminal tendencies to whole tribes, even though the idea of notifying 'criminal tribes' has long been given up. It is time for State governments to respond to the verdict and revisit their laws and regulations related to prison administration and put an end to systemic discrimination in an institution that may treat any form of resistance as indiscipline.

The other monsoon

Better modelling of the impact of northeast monsoon is essential

India's southwest monsoon has ended on an optimistic note, with 8% more rain than anticipated. Reassuringly, the rainfall forecast by the India Meteorological Department (IMD), particularly since July, was accurate. Monsoon clouds continue to prevail over the country but given the centrality of rainfall to the Indian economy, focus has already shifted to the 'other monsoon', the northeast monsoon. It is named so because of the direction in which the winds exit from the land mass into the sea. Following the withdrawal of the southwest monsoon in mid-October, the northeast monsoon is characterised by a reversal of winds that brings rain to parts of coastal Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, and parts of southern Karnataka. For Tamil Nadu, the northeast monsoon is the main source of rainfall. The northeast monsoon brings in only about 11% of India's annual rainfall.

The IMD has forecast that this year's post-monsoon rainfall is likely to be 'above normal' or about 12% over the historical average. Because of its limited spread and quantity, the northeast monsoon does not get as much attention as the southwest monsoon. However, it significantly affects the productivity of rice and maize in Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh. Records show that in years of deficiency, there was a considerable decrease in agricultural production in the region. The northeast monsoon rainfall, averaged over the five subdivisions where it is predominant, has a variation of almost 25%, exceeding that of the southwest monsoon rainfall (10%). This translates into years of massive deluge followed by dry spells. In 2015, Chennai experienced a deluge during the northeast monsoon, resulting in significant loss of life and property. In 2019, the city faced severe water shortage. If this year's forecast holds, it will be the second consecutive year of a normal northeast monsoon. Expectations are high that a La Nina, or cooling of the equatorial central Pacific, will support this. However, most global models have struggled to forecast the timing of La Nina this year. Thanks to improved forecast systems, the northeast monsoon is less neglected than before. Nevertheless, more focus is needed on modelling its impact regarding urban flooding. Climate change uncertainty makes such prognosis essential, and disaster management agencies in States must develop credible strategies to incorporate these buffers into budgets.

Kerala urgently needs to identify risk zones

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On July 30, two villages, Mundakkai and Chooralmala, in the Wayanad district of Kerala, were hit by landslides. On October 4, while noting that the disaster ranked among the deadliest in India, Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan said that 231 people had died and 41 remained missing. The catastrophic event has once again exposed our helplessness in the face of nature's fury. At the same time, it has raised questions about our approach to disaster management not only in the area of Wayanad that was affected this time and that has suffered a few deadly landslides over the last four decades, but for the State as a whole.

No longer relatively disaster-free

With the sea to its west and the Western Ghats to its east, Kerala used to be considered a relatively disaster-free zone. Its development activities have taken place on this premise. Settlements are distributed throughout the State, from the coastline to the steep hill slopes. Kerala is perhaps the only State where human settlements have sprung up along the coastal line. Though the forest boundary is frozen, there are encroachments by the people and for development projects. Along with settlements, roads and other infrastructure have been built with complete disregard for natural drainage and slope stability. The average population density of the parts of the Western Ghats in Kerala is well above the all-India average.

The natural advantage of being relatively disaster-free seems to be waning. In the last few decades, the intensity and frequency of disasters have increased. Kerala has three distinct geographic zones, and all three are facing disasters, especially floods and landslides. Coastal erosion, a regular phenomenon, has affected more than 250 kilometres of the total coastal length of 590 km in the State. Besides, sea surge has affected different parts of the coast. The lowlands and midlands suffer from floods. Parts of the lowlands surrounding the Vembanad lake get inundated during every monsoon. The World Meteorological Organization described the Kerala floods of 2018 as the 'floods of the century' and attributed the disaster to climate change. Landslides in the Western Ghats are also becoming regular during every monsoon.

> Once landslide susceptibility maps surrounding population centres are ready, monitoring the triggering mechanism would ensure that timely warnings are provided

REUTERS

Landslide inventory map needed

Wayanad, located to the east of the Western Ghats bordering the Mysore plateau, is characterised by deep gorges and ravines. Like the river Sharavati, the Chaliyar also originates in the eastern side of the Western Ghats. Both these rivers cut across the mountain range and debouch into the Arabian Sea, in spite of the easterly tilt of the Wayanad-Mysore plateaus. This can be attributed to the existence of tectonic factors. A spatial correlation exists between tremors and landslides. Incidences of fractures/cracks have been reported from Wayanad and Idukki post landslides. Tremors were felt in parts of Wayanad after the July landslide as well. Recurring incidences of landslides and the huge human and economic losses call for scientific re-appraisal of the causative factors, which are now being simplified and confined to parameters such as slope, soil thickness, rainfall intensity and duration, and land use change. The ongoing debates show that there is a gap in understanding the incidence of landslides in this region.

Global research in this field calls for a nuanced approach. We need a landslide inventory map of each region/area. To finalise zones susceptible to landslides, we can prepare a landslide susceptibility map factoring in the geological set up (lithology, structure and tectonics, rock composition, physico-mechanical properties), slope, soil characteristics, hydrologic parameters, drainage and infiltration, vegetation cover, human activities such as mining and quarrying, slope alteration, and agricultural activities. Once such maps surrounding population centres are ready, monitoring the triggering mechanism (rainfall or tremors in the case of Kerala) would ensure that timely warnings of landslides are provided, and lives saved. The State and trained local self-help groups can do this together.

Due to rapid warming of the Arabian Sea, there is an increased risk of extreme weather and climate events, such as floods, heat waves, and cyclones. The heat content of the Indian Ocean has risen rapidly since the 2000s. There has been an anomalous increase of 1.2°C in summer sea surface temperatures over the last 100 years in the generally cool western Indian Ocean (Arabian Sea). This has created an environment conducive for cyclogenesis (development or strengthening of cyclonic circulation in the atmosphere) in the Arabian Sea. The impact of these changes is being felt on Kerala. In 2017, Cyclone Ockhi hit the State. It was the most severe cyclonic storm to affect Kerala in recent memory.

On the whole, the 'safe operating space', a term coined by Johan Rockstrom and the group at the Stockholm Resilience Centre in the case of global environmental change, is shrinking in Kerala. The occurrence of staggered events of floods and landslides, and simultaneous landslides on either side of the hill ranges, as in Wayanad and Vilangad (Kozhikode district) this time, and at Puthumala (Wayanad district) and Kavalappara (Malappuram district) in 2019, also warrant elucidation.

A paradigm shift

Under these circumstances, there is a need for a paradigm shift in disaster management practices, which are mostly reactive, top-down, and revolve around rescue, relief, and rehabilitation. Globally, this has given way to a more proactive and comprehensive approach of addressing all aspects of a disaster cycle, such as preparedness, resilience, risk reduction, mitigation, reconstruction, recovery, response, and relief. The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction provides guidelines for disaster risk reduction. It recognises the primary role of the State in disaster risk reduction but says that the State should share this responsibility with other stakeholders including local governments, the private sector, and communities. We need to understand the risk of disaster, strengthen disaster risk governance to manage the risk of disaster; invest in disaster risk reduction for resilience; and enhance disaster preparedness for effective response to 'build back better'.

First, Kerala needs to work out disaster risk zones based on multiple criteria covering both physical and social components within a social ecological frame with the help of subject experts and generate a permanent database. As landslides and floods follow watershed boundaries, the disaster risk zones must be translated according to the watersheds/river basins. Second, Kerala needs the people's participation in preparing disaster risk maps. Given its experience in the People's Plan Campaign, it is important for Kerala to introduce a community-based disaster risk management in which at-risk communities are actively engaged in identifying, analysing, planning, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating disaster risk reduction initiatives. This would provide opportunities for strengthening communication, discussion, and learning within the community and between the community and the local and Central government. It would also ensure a bottom-up approach, help reduce tension and potential conflicts and pave the way to integrate disaster risk management in local level development. A quadruple helix model involving community and social organisations, academia/research institutes, the government, and business and industry may be useful.

In Gaza, it is a battle for survival

Farhat Mantoo

Executive Director at Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)/Doctors Without Borders, South Asia

On February 10, 2024, Abdul was hoping to find food for his family amid the devastation in northern Gaza. "I wanted to surprise my mum with some salt or flour," he recounted later to my colleagues. But as the 15-year-old scoured abandoned homes, he was grievously injured during an Israeli airstrike. His leg shattered, Abdul crawled for more than an hour through the chaos, missiles falling around him. Alone and terrified, his cries for help went unanswered until someone finally carried his fragile wounded body to the nearest functioning hospital. Even there, his suffering did not end. With hospitals overwhelmed with casualties and critical supplies lacking, doctors were forced to perform surgery on Abdul without anaesthesia.

After receiving emergency surgery in Gaza, Abdul was one of the very few Palestinian patients who was allowed to be evacuated from the war zone for medical reasons: first to Egypt, and then to a reconstructive surgery hospital of MSF (Médecins Sans Frontières/Doctors Without Borders) in Amman, Jordan. Seven months later, he is learning to walk again with crutches.

Unfortunately, Abdul's story is just one among thousands. More than 10 children per day on average lost one or both legs during the first three months of Israel's assault on Gaza, according to Save the Children. As devastating and distressing as Abdul's story is, it is one of the very few stories with a hopeful ending: he is alive and getting access to treatment.

The grim reality in Gaza

Israel's blockade, which has suffocated Gaza for 16 years, has turned into an outright nightmare during the past 12 months. Since October 2023, more than 41,000 people have been killed, and according to the World Health Organization, an estimated 12,000 are in desperate need of medical evacuation. Yet, only 41% of medical evacuation requests have been approved by Israel. This is not just a logistical challenge; it is a denial of the basic human right to healthcare. For those lucky enough to be evacuated, as Abdul was, survival often means months of painful recovery – a luxury many still trapped in Gaza cannot afford. Thousands of displaced people are unable to access medical care due to destroyed health facilities, restricted movement, and the extremely dangerous conditions on the ground.

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We have borne witness to the devastation this violence has wrought on Gaza's health infrastructure. Of Gaza's 36 hospitals, 17 are now out of service. Over 500 attacks have targeted healthcare facilities, crippling the capacity to provide essential care. Our teams have watched patients die on hospital floors as overwhelmed staff struggle to cope with the flood of the wounded. Essential supplies, such as oxygen concentrators for anaesthesia, vital surgical equipment, and generators, have been delayed or blocked by Israeli authorities repeatedly. Without these vital resources, life-saving surgeries have become nearly impossible, leading to thousands of otherwise preventable deaths.

Psychological wounds

The war's toll extends beyond physical injuries – it has inflicted deep psychological wounds on Gaza's population. Children like Abdul and Karam, a 17-year-old who suffered severe burns in an airstrike that killed 13 members of his family, are physically and emotionally scarred. According to UNICEF, over one million children in Gaza now need urgent mental health and psychosocial support. Even as aid and healthcare workers tirelessly support these children, the trauma of living through constant bombardment, witnessing death, destruction, and enduring displacement will affect them for decades to come, if they are fortunate enough to survive the brutality of the aggressions.

Violation of international humanitarian law

The ongoing violence and the Israeli blockade represent a gross violation of international humanitarian law, its principles completely disregarded and violated. An immediate and sustained ceasefire is the only viable solution to meet Gaza's overwhelming medical and humanitarian needs. Without this, more lives will be lost, and this war will leave yet another indelible stain on our collective conscience.

All parties need to guarantee safe passage for humanitarian assistance inside Gaza, which requires the opening of essential land borders, including the Rafah crossing. Equally crucially, there should be immediate medical evacuation of those whose lives depend on it, along with their caregivers. Safe, voluntary, and dignified return to Gaza for all patients and their caregivers must be ensured.

Abdul's story is not just a statistic– it is a harrowing reminder of the real human cost of this war. No child should have to crawl through the rubble for survival, yet thousands of Palestinian children face this unimaginable horror. The suffering in Gaza needs to end. Governments must act now to secure a ceasefire, ensuring displaced populations have access to the healthcare they desperately need to survive and rebuild their lives. This is not just a humanitarian issue. It is a global moral imperative.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A wake-up call

It is shocking that caste-based discrimination was institutionalised for so long within places meant for rehabilitation ("Caste bias, segregation in prisons violate dignity: SC", October 4). The Supreme Court's order sets a precedent for eliminating systemic discrimination. This ruling not only upholds constitutional values, but also highlights the importance of reforming our prison systems to ensure humane treatment for all prisoners, regardless of caste or background.

Avni
Kurukshetra

Irresponsible remarks

It is highly irresponsible for the U.S. President to make such comments ("Biden says 'discussing' possible Israeli strikes on Iran oil facilities", Oct. 4). It is because of the U.S.'s firm support that Israel is pounding Gaza and now Lebanon. Instead of finding a solution and condemning Israel, the U.S. is adding fuel to the fire. Meanwhile, the United Nations is nowhere to be found.

V. Ganapathy Subramanian
Nagercoil

The ranking race

While it is true that an obsession with anything is harmful, ranking does help students know the true picture of a university or institution, provided that the rank has been given by a credible institution ("An obsession with ranking is harming India's universities", Oct. 4). We should not have a problem with the system of ranking, but with bodies that tweak rules or provide misguided rankings. The parameters for ranking should include the share of students who got placed, the quality of research, the qualifications of the faculty, the quality of physical amenities such as the hostel and canteen, etc.

Prafulla Kumar Rai
Azamgarh

As the philosopher Epictetus once said, "If you are ever tempted to look for outside approval, realise that you have compromised your integrity. If you need a witness, be your own".

A. Subbain
Thanjavur

Internship scheme

India Inc. has been complaining for years about the non-employability of our graduates due to the poor quality of education. Now, young graduates will be able to gain practical business exposure and bridge the gap between academic learning and industry requirements ("Internships to bridge job market-skills gap; pilot project takes off", Oct. 4).

Bal Govind
Noida

To read more letters online, scan the QR code.

Forensic experts collect evidence from a container truck at Veppadai in Tamil Nadu's Namakkal district. The truck was allegedly used by the robbers who targeted ATMs in Kerala. E. LAKSHMI NARAYANAN

The pre-dawn heists in Kerala

Seven men from Haryana allegedly broke into three ATMs in Kerala's Thrissur area and stole ₹67 lakh. They were chased across the border into Tamil Nadu, where the driver was killed and the rest taken into custody. The capture shows the communication and cooperation between the two States and within districts as well, finds **R. Sivaraman**

It was 2:35 a.m. on September 27 when the control room of the Thrissur rural police station received an alert from the central control room of the local State Bank of India (SBI) branch. There had been a break-in at the bank's ATM kiosk at Mapranam in Irinjalakuda town, approximately 21 kilometres from Thrissur city, Kerala. A team jumped into the police four-wheeler, its blue light flashing, and reached the spot within 10 minutes. They examined the CCTV footage, and initiated a vehicle check across roads in the district.

Exactly an hour after the first break-in, a second SBI ATM kiosk at Naikkanal, about 20 km from Mapranam, in Thrissur East, was broken into. A third break-in occurred at Kolazhy village, around 6 km from Naikkanal, within the Viyyur police station limits, at 4:20 a.m. Both these fell within the Thrissur city police limits.

Police say they received the alert about the first robbery 25 minutes after it occurred, the second robbery only 50 minutes after, and the third 20 minutes after. It was later revealed that over ₹33 lakh was stolen from the first ATM, over ₹25 lakh from the second, and ₹9 lakh from the third. Midhun K.P., Station House Officer at Viyyur, who was left in charge that night, rushed to the ATM kiosks at Naikkanal and Kolazhy to inspect the crime scenes.

By around 5:30 a.m., the police had identified the presence of a white mid-size SUV without a number plate at all three crime scenes, thanks to the CCTV footage. The initial investigation began based on this lead. R. Ilango, District Police Chief (Thrissur City), passed on this information to his counterparts in Tamil Nadu and Karnataka, which proved crucial.

Further examination revealed that the ATM cameras had been spray-painted before the break-in happened. Smoke at the crime scenes suggested the robbers had used a gas cutter.

Ilango says the police began to suspect the 'gas cutter gang', known for similar operations in Mewat, Haryana. "They had also carried out a similar operation in Kannur in 2021, when three ATMs were robbed in a span of about 45 minutes. Their modus operandi involved using container trucks to escape with the loot," says Ilango, who had been the Superintendent of Police in Kannur at the time.

Evidence later showed that the container had passed through the Panniyankara toll plaza in Palakkad district, Kerala, about 70 km from Thrissur, before entering Tamil Nadu. Meanwhile, Tamil Nadu police revealed that similar ATM break-ins had occurred in Krishnagiri district, just a week earlier.

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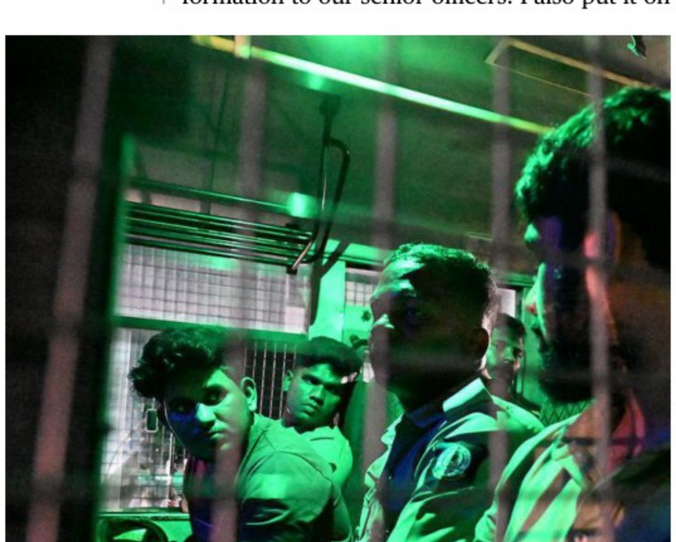
> **ABDUL SUBAN**
> Father of Showkeen, one of the accused

As the day broke on September 27, the police had gathered information about the potential gangs involved, their modus operandi, and their likely escape route. Ilango notes, "They specifically target SBI ATMs because those are never short on cash." Police intelligence also revealed that these gangs often struck deals with drivers of commercial container trucks to conceal the vehicles used in burglaries. These trucks would be returning empty to the northern parts of the country after unloading consignments.

Over the border from Kerala to TN

S. Rajesh Kannan, Superintendent of Police, Namakkal district, says he received a call from the Thrissur police at 5:40 a.m. "I forwarded the information to our senior officers. I also put it on our district WhatsApp group, saying that the gang may come on the Komarapalayam and Pallipalayam road (National Highways connecting Kochi and Salem)," he says. Vehicle check points were activated on the national highways and State highways. The police were looking out for a mid-size white car, but also for a container truck.



Police personnel brought the accused persons to the Kumarapalayam judicial magistrate court, in Namakkal district. E. LAKSHMI NARAYANAN

One of the many police barricades had been erected at a bakery near the Komarapalayam Junction, in Namakkal, about 220 km from Thrissur. Deputy Superintendent of Police P.M. Imayavaramban, who was involved in the operation, says, "The driver slowed down, but when we stopped the vehicle and asked him to open the container, he accelerated and hit the barricade." A chase ensued, with the vehicle heading towards the neighbouring district of Salem. "We alerted the Sankari police in Salem," he adds.

Sankari Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) S. Raja explains that they got a call at 8:30 a.m. "Soon our personnel assembled before the Sankari (Vaikundam) toll plaza and placed barricades to stop the vehicle. But 500 meters before the toll plaza, the truck turned right, again towards the Komarapalayam Road," he says. The truck did this thrice, taking U-turns each time, he adds. The armed police, on 10 bikes and four two-wheelers, chased after it.

On the last lap, the police decided to meet the container truck head-on, and at Pachampalayam near K.R.P. School, the police stopped the patrol vehicle in the middle of the road and also asked a trucker to block the road with them. The container truck driver swerved over the median, entering the ICL factory road and the Sankari-Pallipalayam State Highway. "The public and parents of students also started to chase the vehicle along with the police," says K. Murugesan, Namakkal District Crime Record Bureau (DCRB) DSP and the investigation officer for this case.

People on the road get involved

P. Sivaraj, a Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation driver, describes the event like a cinema chase. He had driven his bike to Sankari to visit a relative. "I thought the container truck had hit some vehicles and was escaping from the police. So, I immediately chased the truck on my bike, along with the police," he says. The police had blocked the road at the Veppadai four-road junction in Namakkal district, he says.

The driver turned the vehicle into an Indian Oil petrol bunk, about 300 meters from the Veppadai police station, at around 9:05 a.m. "There, the truck stopped. I went near the vehicle, but the driver suddenly moved the truck, and it hit my bike. Thankfully I jumped and saved my life," Sivaraj says.

A. Prakasam, 38, runs a grocery shop at Veppadai that overlooks the petrol bunk. He says he heard loud noises and came out to find the police chasing the vehicle. "Fortunately, there were only a few vehicles at the bunk. Usually, it is very busy. After hitting two bikes and a car, the truck went towards Sankari. All this happened in a couple of minutes," he says. The other bike rider fell on the road but got up just in time, or he would have been under the wheels of the truck, he says.

At Sanniyasipatti, people hurled stones at the truck in a frantic effort to stop it. Finally, when the truck's windscreen shattered, the driver stopped, say police. "We surrounded the truck, securing four people in the cabin. The driver, who was the fifth, said two more people were inside the container. We thought they might have guns and if we opened the container in the presence of the public, it would be a safety risk. So, we asked the driver to move the vehicle to the Veppadai police station." The chase had lasted an hour. But there was more.

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> **ILANGO**
> District Police Chief (Thrissur City)

On their way to the police station, near Thoppukadu in Paatharai panchayat, the inspector accompanying the driver allegedly heard noises from within, and so asked him to open the container door. The police say one person jumped from the vehicle with a bag, while the driver attacked the inspector. The two men allegedly ran towards the field flanking the road. However, the other person inside the container was caught.

When two members of the police force chased after them, one of the men used a sharp hook to attack one of them, police say. To protect his teammate, the inspector allegedly fired two rounds from his service revolver, injuring the suspect, who was later identified as 37-year-old Jumanuddin from Andhrola village, in Palwal district of Haryana.

The inspector claims he warned the man who had the bag, but he tried to get away, and two more rounds were fired. The two were taken to the Government Hospital, Pallipalayam, in a private ambulance. Jumanuddin, the driver, was declared dead on arrival and Mohammad Azru alias Azar Ali, 30, from Bisru village in Nuh district, went through an operation to amputate his leg.

The spot where the killing took place at Thoppukadu, about a kilometre from Veppadai police station, is surrounded by lands populated with bushes and trees. There is a dry water channel that saw some of the action.

Director General of Police Shankar Jiwal, who is in the Tamil Nadu police head office, says, "We are asking SBI to give us details of similar cases since the modus operandi is clear." He says this is not the only gang operating in this way, and they have put together a special team for the investigation. "We are also writing to DGPs of different States seeking details of cases of similar nature reported in their States in the last one year."

Prep before the incident

The police say the investigation revealed the two gang members arrived in Chennai by truck to offload some goods in the city. Three others came by car and two took a flight. They assembled in Chennai about 15 days ago and moved in the truck and the car up to Palakkad. Later they loaded the car into the truck using a ramp.

An officer says, "There was a hole under the body of the truck so that they could jump out and escape easily. If there had been a gap in our chase, they may have escaped easily."

The gang operates between 2 a.m. and 5 a.m. "The gang targeted a particular model of ATM called Presto, which are vulnerable to heists," said Namakkal SP, Rajesh Kannan.

Police officers said these criminals hail from Palwal and Mewat districts in Haryana. "One of the accused men, Akram, had allegedly been involved in seven break-in cases – four in Telangana, where ₹74 lakh was stolen; and three in Telangana, where ₹30 lakh was taken," Kannan says.

Meanwhile in Haryana

While the police forces in Tamil Nadu and Kerala congratulate each other on the cooperation, in Haryana's Palwal district, a video of the incident went viral. Five of the men were from the district, while two were from Bisru village.

In Andhrola village, where Jumanuddin's body was brought, anger churned. "My brother has been driving commercial vehicles for a decade but never has anyone raised any complaints against him," says Mohammad Mubaraq, adding that he had done the Chennai route in the past, and would do long distance trips at least thrice a month. He says that there were no previous criminal cases against him and that in all probability, the gang who robbed the ATMs had rented his vehicle for transportation.

"When a vehicle is booked, how will the driver know about what is being transported and who had rented it," says Arzida, Jumanuddin's pregnant wife. The family accuses the police officers in Chennai of conducting an 'encounter'. Mubaraq says he will file a case against the wrongful murder of his innocent brother. "He has five children and was the sole breadwinner of his family," he says.

In Lacknakar village, Sayeda, 65, Mubaraq's mother, says he had met Jumanuddin at one of Palwal's driving schools. "He had hired him as the second driver for ₹12,000-₹13,000. Apart from that I know nothing else," Sayeda says.

In Mallai village, Abdul Suban, 70, father of 23-year-old Showkeen, who has been arrested, expressed disdain. "He has never been up to anything productive in his life. After what he has done, I want to disown him," says the father, who works as a truck driver.

Shabeer, 26, a resident of Ghadavali village and one of the accused, had a similar case of attempted robbery of an ATM in Panipat and was out on bail, says his 75-year-old single mother, Jaibhuni. He had been working as a dairy farmer in his uncle's business and had left home telling his family he was going to check rental spaces in the capital to set up dairy stores. The family learnt days later that he was one of the six arrested for robbing ATMs in the south, in Kerala.

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At least 28 Naxalites killed in Chhattisgarh

In a media interaction, the Chief Minister appealed to the Naxalites to shun violence and join the mainstream and reiterated Union Home Minister Amit Shah's assertion that Naxalism would be eliminated from the State by March 2026.

The Opposition Congress in the State also congratulated the forces, with its spokesperson Sushil Anand Shukla claiming that the confidence building measures taken by the previous Congress government had allowed the forces to set up camps and gain a foothold in Naxal areas. He also said there should not be any questions raised about the encounter by villagers as has been the case in the past. In a late-night release, the police said there was the possibility of recovery of three to four more bodies.

Jaishankar to visit Pakistan for SCO meet

Officials said the External Affairs Minister's visit was based on "reciprocity", given that despite bilateral tensions, Pakistan had sent its then-Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto to attend the SCO Foreign Ministers' meeting in Goa in May 2023. It is also significant that the Narendra Modi-led government is sending a Minister for an SCO conference, but has refused to attend the SAARC (South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation) summit, due to be held in Pakistan since 2016.

'Pakistan stalling SAARC'

Responding to a question about the recent meeting between the new Bangladesh leader Muhammad Yunus and Pakistan Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif, where Mr. Yunus called for a "revival" of the eight-nation SAARC process, the spokesperson alleged that it was Pakistan that was "stalling SAARC", not India. "One particular country has a particular way of doing things, which is stalling SAARC," said Mr. Jaiswal, referring to Pakistan's refusal to move forward on India's suggestions for a Motor Vehicle Agreement (MVA) and South Asian electricity grid initiatives. "We attach deep importance to regional cooperation, to regional connectivity and therefore, we have given an impetus to the BIMSTEC grouping and other platforms," he added, indicating that India has had more success in dealing with its neighbours to the north, east and south, in the seven-nation Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC).

The invitation to the SCO meeting was sent to Prime Minister Narendra Modi by the Pakistan government last month. Mr. Modi normally attends meetings at the Head of State level, and deputes either the External Affairs Minister or the Vice President in his place for the Heads of Government meet. As *The Hindu* had reported last month, the government was keen to send a high-level official for the SCO meeting, in order to express its commitment to the Eurasian grouping, especially after Mr. Modi cancelled his participation at the SCO Summit in Kazakhstan in July this year due to a scheduling issue.

Visit post J&K polls

The officials held out little hope for any movement on the India-Pakistan peace process at present, although Mr. Jaishankar will have the opportunity to meet with the Pakistani leadership. The visit will come days after the announcement of results in the Jammu and Kashmir Assembly election, after which the Centre has committed to restoring J&K's Statehood.

Tribal MLAs in Maharashtra jump off building in protest

Deputy Speaker Narhari Zirwal, a few MLAs leap from third floor of Mantralaya, landing on safety nets below to draw attention to the halt in the hiring of tribal students in State govt. jobs

Snehal Mutha
MUMBAI

A few tribal MLAs of the ruling *Mahayuti* alliance in Maharashtra, including Deputy Speaker Narhari Zirwal, jumped from the Mantralaya building in Mumbai on Friday, landing on safety nets, during a protest staged against the government over the halt in hiring of tribal students for some State government jobs.

The tribal leaders, including BJP MP Hemant Savra, Kiran Lahamate, Hiraman Khoskar, and Rajesh Patil, jumped from the third floor onto the safety nets, trying to draw the attention of the Cabinet.

Akole Nationalist Congress Party (Ajit Pawar) MLA Kiran Lahamate said: "We tried to make several attempts to discuss the matter with Chief Minister Eknath Shinde about students, but it was avoided or delayed. The students are sitting at our homes and saying till the time they are appointed, they are not going home."

Maharashtra Assembly Deputy Speaker Narhari Zirwal and other MLAs being rescued from the safety nets on Friday. PTI

The protesting MLAs demanded the recruitment of the tribals for the State-level government jobs under the Panchayats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) (PESA) Act, 1996.

According to the MLAs, the recruitment process in 17 different categories under the PESA Act has been halted for over a year now.

Meanwhile, the students in the general category are hired or given appointments. The MLAs questioned why the injustice was being done to tribal students. The posts are that of teachers, forest guards, and health department staff.

Meeting with CM

After the chaos, the tribal MLAs met Chief Minister Eknath Shinde for talks. The discussion ended with a tentative decision on hiring these students on a contractual basis.

Mr. Lahamate told *The Hindu*, "In the meeting, it is tentatively decided that till the time the decision of the court on PESA recruitments is pending, the students will be hired on a contractual basis. In case, the court does not rule in favour of the tribals, we will keep renewing the contracts."

'No time for tribals'

Leader of the Opposition Vijay Wadettiwar took a jibe at the Shinde led-Mahayuti government saying they have time for only branding, contractors and scams and not for the tribal MLAs who supported them to form government. "The government is unable to give justice to their party MLAs, so it is clear what kind of justice the public might have received in the last two and half years," the Congress leader added.

Modi says conflict-hit regions are important for energy security

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Narendra Modi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi made oblique references to the widening conflicts in West Asia and the Russia-Ukraine war on Friday, saying the two regions were crucial for the global economy and energy security.

His comments came amid fears of further escalation in West Asia if Israel were to retaliate and attack Iran, potentially its nuclear, and oil facilities. This, analysts fear, could fuel a surge in energy prices and draw the region into a wider conflict.

Speaking at the third edition of the Kautilya Economic Conclave here, Mr. Modi on the domestic front committed to continuing structural reforms to help India become a developed nation by 2047.

'War-like situation'

"This conclave is happening at a time when two big regions of the world are close to war-like situations. These two big regions are crucial for the global economy as well as energy security," he said without naming any country.

India is more than 85% dependent on the import of crude oil, which is converted into fuels like petrol and diesel, and about half of its gas needs.

A bulk of these come from West Asia, and in scenarios of Israel-Iran getting into prolonged conflict, the supplies could be impacted.

"In the midst of these big global uncertainties, we are all here witnessing the Indian era, we are discussing India. This shows the confidence in India... Whether it is science, technology or innovation, India clearly is at a sweet spot," Mr. Modi said.

Cong. wants youth to go into world of drugs: Shah

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday said while the Narendra Modi government was working towards a drug-free India, the alleged role of a prominent person from the Congress in the ₹5,600-crore drug seizure case in Delhi was "extremely dangerous and shameful".

"While the Modi government is taking youth towards sports, education and innovation, the Congress wants to take them into the dark world of drugs," Mr. Shah said on X.

The BJP has alleged that Tushar Goyal, the "kingpin" in a drug case, was the chairperson of the Delhi Pradesh Youth Congress's Right to Information (RTI) cell.

The Congress has dismissed the claim as a lie.

'We will go on a fast if top leadership from the Union govt. fails to meet us'

Climate activist, who along with 150 protesters, is seeking constitutional safeguards for Ladakh, says if there is democracy at the grassroots, then local people get to manage their environment

INTERVIEW

Sonam Wangchuk

Vijaita Singh
NEW DELHI

Climate activist Sonam Wangchuk, who was released from police detention on Friday, said he would go on a fast if the top leaders of the Union government do not meet him. He says he has asked for the resuming of talks on constitutional safeguards for Ladakh with the Home Ministry within the next few days. Excerpts:

What will be your strategy now?

As we were detained, we went on an indefinite fast. The condition for breaking the fast were two-fold: one that we must be taken to Rajghat on October 2 for which we have walked all the way from Ladakh and secondly, we have to meet one of the top three leaders in the country, the Prime Minister, the President or the Home Minister. MHA has assured us to facilitate the meeting. They are to inform us about the date and name or we will most unfortunately sit on a fast in Delhi.

How do you plan to revive the talks with the high powered committee?

One of our pleas (submitted to joint secretary, MHA) was on resuming the talks within the next 15 days. Restoring democracy – mega and micro in Ladakh is our demand. Sixth Schedule (tribal status) is nothing but local democracy. I am an environmentalist, not a politician. My interest is that if there is local democracy at the grass roots, then the native people get to manage their environment. They are the best to manage it, somebody who comes for three years will not run the affairs for you.

Sixth Schedule does not have a panchayat system though, how will it ensure grass roots democracy?

Government is keenly offering panchayats to sixth schedule areas of the North East, if you want you can have a panchayat, if you don't then sixth schedule itself is grass roots democracy.... The Union Territory administration has not recruited a single officer in the last five years, so how will they be able to develop the place?

(Full interview is at thlink.in/wangchuk)

Woman gang-raped by unidentified trio in Pune

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

A 21-year-old woman was allegedly gang-raped by three unidentified persons, who also tied her male friend to a tree and assaulted him, at an isolated place in the Bopdev Ghat area on the outskirts of Pune on Thursday night.

The survivor, originally from Surat in Gujarat, was taken to Sassoon Hospital.

The police registered an FIR against the unidentified trio at Kondhwa station on Friday.

Ten teams have been deployed to search the suspects and sketches of two of them released.

A forensic team also inspected the crime spot on Friday.

The Opposition has criticised the Maharashtra government over the law and order situation in the State.

SC sets up new SIT with CBI officers to probe Naidu's claim

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

The Bench said it didn't want the court to be utilised as a 'political battleground'.

The Supreme Court on Friday constituted an "independent" five-member Special Investigation Team (SIT), with two Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) officers in it, to replace the one formed by the Andhra Pradesh government to probe Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu's allegations that contaminated ghee was used to prepare Tirupati laddus in the previous Yuvajana Sramika Rythu Congress Party (YSRCP) regime.

A Bench of Justices B.R. Gavai and K.V. Viswanathan said it did not want the ruling Telugu Desam Party of Mr. Naidu and the YSRCP of former Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy to utilise the top court as a "political battleground" to trade allegations at each other.

"We don't want any political drama. Fortunately or unfortunately, both sides are warring groups," Justice Gavai remarked orally. In a September 30 hearing, the top court had remarked that "gods at least should be kept away from politics".

On Friday, the court roped in the Centre saying it too should play a role in unearthing the truth about the allegations. Besides making the CBI a part of the probe, the Bench brought the enquiry directly under the supervision of the Central agency's Director.

Ex-principal, police official tried to hush up R.G. Kar rape-murder: CBI

Shiv Sahay Singh
KOLKATA

The Central Bureau of Investigation on Friday alleged that Sandip Kumar Ghosh, former principal of the R.G. Kar Medical College and Hospital, and Abhijit Mondal, former officer-in-charge of Tala police station, tried to hush up the rape and murder of a doctor at the State-run facility in Kolkata.

The allegations were made in the remand application made by the agency before the Sealdah court seeking extension of the judicial custody of the two.

"That the extraction of data of DVR and hard disk containing the CCTV footages of PS Tala and mobile phones of both accused persons has been received from CFSL, Kolkata and the same has been scrutinised. It is clear from a number of calls that the accused wanted to hush up the incident," the remand application said.

Junior doctors announce the withdrawal of their cease-work protest in Kolkata on Friday. DEBASISH BHADURI

The agency questioned both accused in custody from October 1 to 3.

"However, both the accused were found to be non-cooperative and gave evasive replies. Their versions need to be further verified," the remand petition said.

The CBI has sought the custody of the accused for four more days to verify the contents of their telephonic versions with other witnesses.

On September 25, the Central agency had claimed that certain false records were created at the Tala police station in connection with the rape and murder of the doctor at the hospital.

The CBI also secured the custody of Ashis Kumar Pandey, a doctor at the R.G. Kar Hospital, for five days.

He was arrested by the agency on Thursday in connection with alleged financial irregularities at the hospital.

Junior doctors withdraw full cease-work agitation

The Hindu Bureau
KOLKATA

Protesting resident doctors of West Bengal on Friday decided to call off their cease work and resume duty from Saturday.

This development follows appeals by the State government, senior doctors, and several members of the civil society for junior doctors to resume work amid Durga Puja festivities and the flood situation in West Bengal.

The West Bengal Junior Doctors' Front had on October 1 announced a full cease-work strike in protest against the State government's alleged non-fulfilment of promised safety and security measures.

Centre denies Omar's allegation on move to cut J&K CM's powers

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Union Home Ministry on Friday denied National Conference leader Omar Abdullah's allegations that there was a proposal tasking the Chief Secretary of Jammu and Kashmir to change the transaction of business rules to curtail the powers of the elected Chief Minister and assign the same to the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Abdullah said that sensing defeat ahead of the Jammu and Kashmir Assembly election results on October 8, the Bharatiya Janata Party government at the Centre was mulling administrative changes in the Union Territory.

"The BJP has clearly accepted defeat in J&K. Why else would the Chief Secretary be assigned the duty to change transaction of business rules of the government to curtail the powers of Chief Minister/elected government and assign the same to the LG? This information has come to me from within the Secretariat. Officers would be well advised to resist any pressure to further disempower the incoming elected government," Mr. Abdullah, vice-president, JKNC, posted on X.

Responding to the allegations, the Ministry said Mr. Abdullah's post was "misleading and speculative in nature". "There is not even an iota of truth, as there is absolutely no such proposal. The Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act of 2019 passed by the Parliament provides for notifying the transaction of business rules, and the same was notified in 2020," the Ministry responded.

As recent as July 13, the Ministry amended the Rules widening the ambit of administrative role of the Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant-Governor.

Jaishankar meets Dissanayake, pledges India's support for economic recovery

The External Affairs Minister is the 'first high-level foreign dignitary' to visit Sri Lanka after the leftist leader assumed office; the leaders discuss key issues such as India's security interests, fisheries conflicts, and the political settlement of Sri Lankan Tamils; they extend invitations for bilateral visits

Meera Srinivasan
COLOMBO

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar on Friday met Sri Lanka's newly elected President Anura Kumara Dissanayake in Colombo and pledged India's "full support" to the island nation's economic recovery and growth. His discussions with the Sri Lankan leadership covered India's security interests, the persisting fisheries conflict, and the pending political settlement of Sri Lanka's Tamils, according to official statements issued by both sides.

Mr. Jaishankar, on behalf of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, extended an invitation to Mr. Dissanayake to visit India at a mutually convenient date. Mr. Dissanayake, too, extended an invitation to Mr. Modi to visit Sri Lanka, the President's office said.

The visit assumes significance, coming barely a fortnight after Sri Lankans elected leftist leader Mr. Dissanayake as their new President, the first to be held after the country's 2022 economic crisis. Sri Lanka's Ministry of Foreign Affairs said Mr. Jaishankar was the "first high-level foreign dignitary" to visit Sri Lanka after Mr. Dissanayake assumed office.

Sri Lankan president Anura Kumara Dissanayake and External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar during their meeting on Friday. AP

'Full support'

"Dr. Jaishankar reaffirmed India's full support for Sri Lanka's economic rehabilitation, highlighting India's commitment to assisting in tourism, investment, electricity, energy services, and the dairy industry. He emphasised that Sri Lanka could leverage India's vast market to boost its economic recovery," the presidential media division said following the meeting, adding that Mr. Dissanayake expressed his appreciation for India's support – totalling nearly $4 billion – when the island nation faced a crushing financial meltdown two years ago.

Mr. Jaishankar highlighted ongoing India-backed initiatives in the field of energy production and transmission, fuel and LNG supply, solar electrification of religious places, connectivity, digital public infrastructure, health and dairy development. He highlighted that they would contribute to economic sustainability and provide new streams of revenue, the External Affairs Ministry said in a statement.

The readouts from both sides did not mention the controversial Adani power project in Sri Lanka's Northern Province, which is currently mired in a court battle following stiff opposition from locals and environmentalists. Mr. Dissanayake had in the past questioned its approval, outside of a tender process, and the former government's power purchasing agreement with the company, which he contended was not in Sri Lanka's favour. However, New Delhi's statement following Friday's meeting said Mr. Dissanayake referred to the "potential of export of renewable energy to India, which could help reduce production costs in Sri Lanka and create additional resources".

Collaboration in the island's vital tourism sector was discussed, with Mr. Jaishankar offering to expand the flow of Indian tourists.

Mr. Jaishankar discussed matters of India's security interest in the region. Across meetings, the Sri Lankan leadership assured the top Indian official that they were mindful of India's security concerns and would not allow their territory to be used in a manner inimical to India's security interests, the statements indicated.

Mr. Jaishankar reiterated India's support for "the aspirations of all communities, including Tamils, for equality, justice, dignity, peace while maintaining the unity, territorial integrity and sovereignty of Sri Lanka".

The full and effective implementation of the 13th Amendment of its Constitution and the early conduct of Provincial Council elections will facilitate these objectives, the statement said.

Mr. Dissanayake who, according to this office discussed "areas of mutual interest, including fisheries and promoting national unity" with Mr. Jaishankar, promised in his poll manifesto to deliver a political settlement to the Tamils through a new Constitution. His government has said efforts would begin after the parliamentary elections.

Release of fishermen

Mr. Jaishankar also raised concerns pertaining to Indian fishermen who are detained in Sri Lanka. "He pressed for their early release, as well as of their boats, and reconsideration of the heavy fines imposed on them," the Indian statement said.

For many years, war-affected Sri Lankan Tamil fishermen have been urging fishermen in Tamil Nadu to refrain from using the bottom-trawling fishing method that is known to severely deplete the marine ecosystem. However, the Indian fishermen, from Tamil Nadu's coastal districts, are frequently arrested by Sri Lanka for fishing illegally in the country's territorial waters, that too using the destructive fishing method. A total of 50 Indian fishermen from Mayiladuthurai, Pudukkottai, and Nagapattinam were released on Friday. They would be repatriated from Sri Lanka to Tamil Nadu later this week, the Indian High Commission said.

Prepared to contest alone in Jharkhand, says Chirag Paswan

Sobhana K. Nair
NEW DELHI

Chirag Paswan

The Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas), a key partner of the ruling National Democratic Alliance at the Centre, is prepared to go solo in the Jharkhand Assembly election if seat negotiations with the BJP do not have desirable results, party chief and Union Minister Chirag Paswan told *The Hindu* on Friday.

Talks with the BJP have already started, he said. "We are exploring the possible options. Contesting within the alliance is one of them. We have certain priorities. While the number of seats is crucial, the choice of the seats is also critical," Mr. Paswan said.

He said the party would have absolute clarity by the time the election notification is issued. "If the seat sharing negotiations with the BJP go amicably we will contest within the alliance, if not so, then we can go alone," he added.

Eyeing party growth

"Being the national president of the party, I would want the party to contest alone. When you contest in an alliance, you end up with only a few seats, covering maybe one or two districts. Our State unit will take the final call," he said. He claimed that the party had a robust organisation in the State. "We can play a decisive role in 28 to 30 seats," he estimated.

Jharkhand, he said, was a land of opportunities. "If administered well, it can be one of the richest States, but despite that it remains a State with the worst infrastructure. And in the past five years under Hemant Soren, it has further deteriorated," he said.

The LJP (Ram Vilas) is also looking to expand in Uttar Pradesh. "A post-electoral analysis of the 2024 general election shows that a major section of Dalit voters drifted away from the [NDA]. This was primarily because of the false narrative set by the Opposition about the Constitution and thus, reservation being in danger," Mr. Paswan said, adding that his party's role would be to bring Dalit voters back to the alliance.

Haryana Assembly election today; 1,031 candidates in fray

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The election to the 90-member Haryana Assembly will be held on Saturday, with over two crore people eligible to vote.

They will decide the fate of 1,031 candidates, including political heavyweights like former Chief Minister Bhupinder Singh Hooda and Vinesh Phogat of the Congress and Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini of the Bharatiya Janata Party.

While the BJP is looking at a third straight term in office, the Congress is seeking a return to power after a decade. The key contesting parties are the BJP, Congress, Aam Aadmi Party, Indian National Lok Dal (INLD) and its ally Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP), and Jannayak Janata Party (JJP) and ally Azad Samaj Party (ASP) (Kanshi Ram). The counting of votes will take place on October 8.

Over 30,000 police personnel and 225 paramilitary companies have been deployed, said EC

Voting will be held from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. A total of 20,632 polling booths have been set up for the single-phase election.

The Election Commission said over 30,000 police personnel and 225 paramilitary companies had been deployed, while 27,866 electronic voting machines (ballot units) would be used in the election.

A total of 2,03,54,350 voters, including 8,821 above 100 years of age, are eligible to cast votes.

Of the 1,031 candidates, 101 are women. While 464 are contesting as Independents, 302 candidates are from national parties, 121 from State parties, and 144 are from registered unrecognised parties.

According to an analysis by the National Election Watch and the Association for Democratic Reforms, 13% of the candidates have criminal cases against them, while 52% are crorepatis.

In the 2019 Assembly election, the BJP won 40 seats, the Congress 31 and JJP 10.

Cong. hails Rahul's 100 days as Leader of Opposition

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Congress leaders on Friday listed out the achievements of Rahul Gandhi as he completed 100 days as the Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha.

"Hundred days back, India not only got a Leader of Opposition – we found a voice!" Congress general secretary (organisation) K. C. Venugopal wrote in a social media post.

"In the first 100 days itself, @RahulGandhi ji has set a benchmark for what an ideal Opposition leader should do. He has spoken against hatred, raised his voice for those neglected and rejected by the government, asked pointed questions that have made the ruling regime bend, and most importantly – he has begun the hard task of restoring democracy in India," Mr. Venugopal said.

He said whether it was about raising the concerns of NEET students over the paper leak, visiting strife-torn Manipur, or pressing for the caste Census, Mr. Gandhi ensured that the government took steps "to correct its missteps".

"Make no mistake, this is just the beginning. Along with the entire INDIA alliance, we will fight them tooth and nail in Parliament and outside and not rest until their fascist, divisive agenda is defeated," he added.

Meanwhile, Pawan Khera, who heads the Congress's media and publicity wing, said Mr. Gandhi opposed the lateral entry into government service and the clause in the Budget that affected indexation benefits and capital gains tax.

"Rahul Gandhi has travelled across the country, listening to the grievances of farmers, labourers, loco pilots, and manual scavengers, ensuring their voices are heard and their issues are brought to the forefront in Parliament, making him a true Voice of People," Mr. Khera said.

'Minimum pension not increased'

The Hindu Bureau
CHENNAI

The EPS-95 Pensioners Coordination Committee has complained to Prime Minister Narendra Modi over the issues of not increasing the payment of minimum pension and not hiking the government's contribution to the EPS.

In a letter, the committee pointed out that the Centre had not acted on the recommendation of a parliamentary committee which stated that the government's contribution under the EPS should go up from 1.16% to 8.33%.

The amount of minimum pension had not been increased for 10 years. Also, through an order of the Labour Ministry, the provision on higher pension was scrapped, "causing significant financial loss to pensioners like us," it said.

The committee plans to hold a nationwide protest on October 17, the office-bearers added.

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"Invitation of bids for grant of Mining Lease for limestone blocks"
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INBRIEF

Emergency to go through the edits suggested by CBFC

Zee Entertainment Enterprises and Manikarnika Films Production House (owned by actor and politician Kangana Ranaut) on Friday sought 30 days to comply with the cuts, edits, and changes to the film *Emergency* suggested by the Central Board of Film Certification's (CBFC) revising committee, advocate Abhinav Chandrachud, representing the CBFC, informed *The Hindu*. Once the makers of the film submit all the changes, the revising committee has suggested, the CBFC will not make any further delay and issue the certification for the film in two weeks time, Mr. Chandrachud told *The Hindu*.

NIA official held in Patna along with two middlemen

The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), in coordination with the National Investigation Agency (NIA), arrested two middlemen and Deputy Superintendent of Police (DySP) Ajay Pratap Singh of the NIA, posted in Patna branch, on the allegations of obtaining undue advantage for granting favour in the investigation of an ongoing NIA case linked to former JD(U) MLC Manorama Devi. The CBI on Thursday issued the official statement stating that the apprehensions were made after the CBI team trapped the middlemen, closely associated with the accused official, accepting a bribe of ₹20 lakh. Mr. Ajay Pratap is an Income Tax official on deputation to the NIA.

Maldivian President to visit India next week

Kallol Bhattacherjee
NEW DELHI

Maldivian President Mohamed Muizzu will pay a five-day visit to India from October 6 to 10. This will be the first state visit by Mr. Muizzu, who had earlier visited New Delhi to participate in the swearing-in of Prime Minister Narendra Modi on June 9.

"Maldives is India's key maritime neighbor in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR) and holds a special place in Prime Minister's vision of 'SAGAR' (Security and Growth for All in the Region) and India's Neighbourhood First Policy," the External Affairs Ministry said in a statement.

The Ministry said that during the visit, Mr. Muizzu will meet President Droupadi Murmu and hold delegation-level talks with Prime Minister Narendra Modi "on bilateral, regional and international issues of mutual interest". Both sides are expected to sign a number of agreements during the visit.

President Muizzu is expected to visit Mumbai and Bengaluru, where he will participate in business events to promote commercial ties between the two countries. He will also visit the Taj Mahal.

Need to catch up with China on technology, says chief of Air Force

Air Chief Marshal Amar Preet Singh stresses need for ramping up domestic production of fighter jets by involving the private sector

Dinakar Peri
NEW DELHI

India has lagged behind China in technology and production rates of defence equipment, Indian Air Force chief Air Chief Marshal Amar Preet Singh said in an assessment of China, while stressing the need for ramping up domestic production of fighter jets by involving the private sector.

He said Russia had promised to deliver the remaining two S-400 air defence regiments next year.

"We have done our analysis. We don't have a design to go offensive unnecessarily. Only when we are pushed, we will do something... We have our plans in place. One thing I can positively say is that we are training much better than them. We have a much better exposure than them. We get to know... how they train and how many different air forces they interact with and how many do we interact with. As far as human angle is concerned, our people behind the machine are way ahead of them," he said at the annual press conference ahead of Air Force Day on October 8.

> As far as production rates of defence equipment are concerned, we are way behind. We need to catch up
>
> **AIR CHIEF MARSHAL AMAR PREET SINGH**

"As far as technology is concerned, we may be not so good as of now, we have lagged ... As far as production rates are concerned, we are way behind. We need to catch up. That will happen over a period of time, it cannot happen overnight."

To a question on the capability of India's air defence network, the Air chief said the systems being procured could do similar functions as Israel's Iron Dome and other systems. "We have a combination of air defence systems which are fairly competent," he said, noting that India being a very large country needed a large numbers of systems.

He said private players had to come in to ensure the numbers. "We can't keep relying on one agency. Even HAL will have limitations," he said.

Talking of the ground situation in eastern Ladakh, the Air chief said it remained practically the same. Development of infrastructure by China had been "fairly rapid". "We are also trying to catch up", he said, adding new airfields at Nyoma and other areas were coming up and there were plans to utilise the civil infrastructure.

Cases can't be lodged against journalists for criticising govt.: SC

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday said criminal cases could not be slapped on mediapersons perceived as critical of the government while barring the Uttar Pradesh Police from taking coercive steps against a journalist for his article about a "casteist tilt" in the deployment of officers occupying key positions in the Yogi Adityanath administration.

"In democratic nations, freedom to express one's views is respected. The rights of the journalists are protected under Article 19 (1)(a) of the Constitution. Merely because writings of a journalist are perceived as criticism of the government, criminal cases should not be slapped against the writer," a Bench of Justices Hrishikesh Roy and S.V.N. Bhatti underscored in its judicial order.

Abhishek Upadhyay, represented by advocate Anoop Prakash Awasthi, said the article saw the Uttar Pradesh Police register a "frivolous" FIR against him under various provisions of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita and Section 66 (computer-related offences) of the Information Technology Act.

The journalist, in his petition, said the very prelude of the FIR "compares the current Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh as incarnation of God and hence immune from any critical analysis of the caste dynamics in his general administration".

The FIR was quoted by Mr. Upadhyay saying, "Honorable Yogi Adityanath Maharaj Ji is like an incarnation of God. The Indian territory among all the Chief Ministers of various States in India, none even come close to Maharaj Ji in terms of popularity. Maharaj Ji has the highest number of followers on the social media platform X compared to any other Chief Minister in India. Since Maharaj Ji became Chief Minister, Uttar Pradesh has reached the top position in India concerning law and order. Uttar Pradesh has excelled in many fields at the national level under his leadership. Since he renounced worldly life, he no longer belongs to any caste; he is simply a *sanyasi* (monk)..."

The petition said a "journalist's duty is to serve the truth, to hold power accountable, and to inform the public without fear or favour".

WHO gives approval to first Mpox diagnostic test

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

In an important move to improve global access to Mpox testing, the World Health Organization (WHO) has listed the first Mpox in vitro diagnostic under its Emergency Use Listing procedure.

"The approval for emergency use of the Alinity m MPXV assay, manufactured by Abbott Molecular Inc, will be pivotal in expanding diagnostic capacity in countries facing Mpox outbreaks, where the need for quick and accurate testing has risen sharply. Early diagnosis of Mpox enables timely treatment and care, and control of the virus," the WHO said in a statement on Thursday.

The test enables detection of monkeypox virus (clade I/II) DNA from human skin lesion swabs.

SC dismisses pleas to review verdict upholding States' right to tax mines, quarries

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

A nine-judge Bench of the Supreme Court, in a majority decision, has refused to review its July 25 judgment upholding the power of State legislatures to tax mineral-bearing lands and quarries. The review was decided on September 24. It reached public domain on Friday.

The majority led by Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chandrachud had ruled that the power to tax mineral lands and quarries was not the exclusive power of Parliament.

In a replay of the July 25 judgment, the Review Bench, repeated the majority view. The sole dissenting judge on the Bench, Justice B.V. Nagarathna, continued to disagree with the majority view. While the majority on the Bench dismissed the pleas of review by the Union government, Karnataka Iron and Steel Manfacturers Association, and others, Justice Nagarathna found a case for review.

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The majority declared "there is no error apparent on the face of the record. No case for review under Order XLVII Rule 1 of the Supreme Court Rules 2013 has been established". In her separate opinion on the review petitions, Justice Nagarathna said they should be heard in open court and issued notice.

The July 25 judgment had freed the States from the restrictions of the Centre. The court had found the States's liberty to tax mines and quarries a part of the federalist principles of governance.

"Any dilution in the taxing powers of the State legislatures will necessarily impact their ability to raise revenues... Fiscal federalism entails that the power of the States to levy taxes within the legislative domain carved out to them and subject to the limitations laid down by the Constitution must be secured from unconstitutional interference by Parliament," Chief Justice Chandrachud had laid down in the judgment.

e-Office system shutdown derails administrative work in Railways

S. Vijay Kumar
CHENNAI

For about a week, routine administrative work was affected across Indian Railways after National Informatics Centre's (NIC's) e-Office, a product of RailTel, crashed.

According to official sources, the entire file movement and related communications in the Railways came to a grinding halt after the e-Office system failed.

Emergency and urgent files were handled manually during this period. Railways is one of the many departments that had fully migrated to the platform.

RailTel restored normalcy on Friday, the sources said.

NIC e-Office, a workflow-based system that replaced the existing manual handling of files with a more efficient electronic system, is in operation in more than 236 establishments of the Indian Railways across the country and has onboarded 1.47 lakh users.

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Down for 4-5 days

Confirming that NIC e-Office was down for four or five days, Southern Railway Chief Public Relations Officer M. Senthamil Selvan said that urgent administrative files were dealt with manually during the down time.

The e-Office going offline did not affect passenger and freight train operations as the Railways had an independent and dedicated IT infrastructure to run those services. "RailTel is maintaining e-Office on behalf of the Ministry of Railways and Southern Railway is one of the users," he said.

Railway officers said they had no idea why the systems went down. They did not want to comment on the security of backup data stored in iCloud and whether it was fully accessible after the services were restored. They said messages were sent to senior officials in the Zonal Railways in the middle of last week that the infrastructure issue persisted and all e-Office instances, including Railway Board, remained unavailable.

The restoration process was dependent on the storage utilisation, the message said. A top RailTel officer heading the Southern Region did not respond to phone calls or email query sent by *The Hindu* seeking clarifications on the reasons for the failure, safety of backup and other related issues.

RailTel has stated on its website that the NIC e-Office is a cloud enabled software application developed by NIC, which is hosted at Tier-III Uptime USA-certified data centres at Secunderabad and Gurugram for RailTel customers.

Besides the Railways, the application is also hosting services for many government organisations, including Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO), Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Development Corporation (IRCTC), Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL), and so on.

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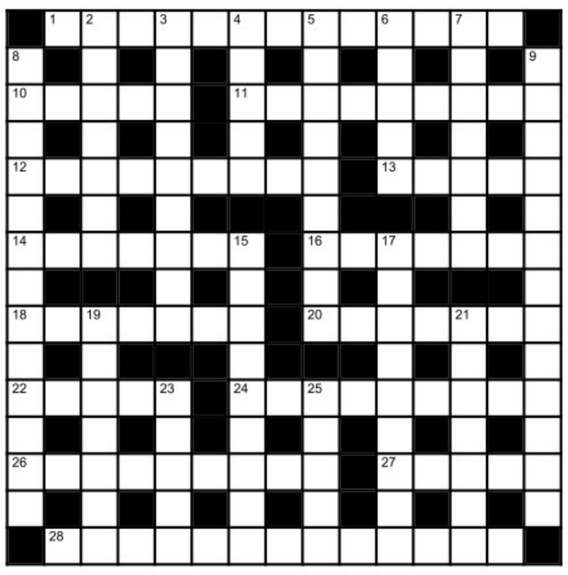

Across

1 Forfeits a part to weave carpet (4,1,5,3)
10 Rule for keeping some money with Mike (5)
11 Sweet finish, getting attention (9)
12 Soft rock - Abba's "Not born in change" (9)
13 Plant review - some of it timeless (5)
14 Views heard, choose a bartender's tool (7)
16 Against taking note - a severe learning disability (7)
18 A dagger mistakenly left in the car port (7)
20 Tended to walk over the sides (7)
22 Essentially dog and cat, did try broadcasting (2,3)
24 One with knowledge in a branch gets activation (9)
26 Club of sorts to spread things on grass (9)
27 His cook introduces American to a Japanese dish (5)
28 Drag maybe uniform during transit (5-8)

Down

2 Oriental guy had issue (7)
3 Furious about current charging (9)
4 Fish raised a stink (5)
5 Pause to have bread roll - one is a frequent flyer (9)
6 Extremely passive, one is quiet (5)
7 Music during a special event - most even-handed (7)
8 No tip for the moment of reckoning (8,5)
9 Indian gang shuffling top cards in a game, repeatedly (5,3,5)
15 Crime committed as child slept (9)
17 In addition school gets even break (9)
19 Mineral from a larger rock (7)
21 Abnormal rise in weight - checks whether it fits (5,2)
23 Deserves to be included for a test (5)
25 Starts at nine, the road enters a cave (5)

SUDOKU

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Solution to yesterday's Sudoku

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FAITH

Nature of Supreme Being

People cannot easily understand the nature of the Supreme Being (*Brahmam*) with the help of the physical objects they see. Only through Vedas, Vedanta and Ithihasa can His nature be understood.

Lord says in the Bhagavad Gita, "I am seated in the hearts of all. From Me are memory, knowledge and their removal. I am to be known from the Vedas." (*Sarvasya cha aham hrudhi* – CH-15-Verse 15).

Velukkudi Sri Krishnan Swamy said in a discourse that sage Veda Vyasa, in his "Brahma Sutra", says "*Sastrayonithvat*" –Sastras are the proven evidence to learn about Him.

An oft-repeated paradoxical question is why people are subject to testing times and various problems when the Vedas say God is ever compassionate and graceful. When all souls are His creations, and He resides in them, why should people have disparities about health, wealth, knowledge, and other matters? The simple answer quoted in the scriptures is that when people accept the Supreme Being as revealed by the Vedas, they can equally admire that He is graceful, which the same Vedas highlight as His munificent quality.

The reason for the difference between various people is due to their *Karma*. Vedanta distinguishes between the physical body, the soul, and the Supreme Being. A person should avoid mistaking the physical body for the individual soul. Another point of caution is that a man should not think that the soul is independent. It is God's property and meant to render divine service to Him.

INBRIEF

BMW introduces M4 CS car at ex-showroom price of ₹1.89 cr.

BMW Group India on Friday introduced the M4 CS, a performance car, at an ex-showroom price of ₹1.89 crore. The car will be available as a completely built-up model. Vikram Pawah, president and CEO, BMW Group India said, "The all-new BMW M4 CS continues the tradition of M special-edition models offering a distinctly sporty character along with motor racing DNA. This model combines superlative performance with unlimited suitability for daily use."

Rupee logs its worst week in more than four months

The Indian Rupee (₹) ended nearly unchanged on Friday to cap its worst weekly performance in a little over four months, as equity outflows surged and crude oil prices rose due to a worsening of the Middle East conflict. Intervention by India's central bank limited losses, traders said. The rupee closed at 83.9725 against the U.S. dollar, almost flat compared with its close at 83.9675 in the previous session. The currency fell 0.3% week-on-week. REUTERS

'Living standards to see steepest rise'

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Nirmala Sitharaman

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday said India would achieve near doubling of per capita income in the next five years and witness the steepest rise in living standards of the common man in coming decades, aided by structural reforms undertaken by the government in the last 10 years.

Addressing the 3rd edition of Kautiliya Economic Conclave here, the Minister said, "While it took us 75 years to reach a per capita income of $2,730, as per IMF projections, it will take only five years to add another $2,000." This is being achieved with declining inequality, as the Gini coefficient (income inequality benchmark) for rural India declined from 0.283 to 0.266, and for urban areas, it declined from 0.363 to 0.314, she noted.

Private sector activity grew at 10-month low pace in Sept.

HSBC India Services PMI dropped from 60.9 in August to 57.7 in September; new export orders rise at slowest pace in 9 months, while output price hikes were at a two-and-a-half year low

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Pacing down: For services firms, new business, global sales and output grew at the mildest rate last month since late-2023. REUTERS

Growth in India's private sector activity slowed to a ten-month low this September, as per the HSBC India Composite Output Index, which slipped from 60.7 in August to 58.3 last month, as factories and services players clocked a reduction in momentum.

While manufacturing sector activity mellowed in September, with factory output and sales growing at the slowest pace so far in 2024, and export orders rising at the mildest pace in 18 months, the HSBC India Services PMI [Purchasing Managers' Index] released on Friday showed that total new business, international sales and output all rose at the slowest rates since late-2023.

While the PMI slipped from 60.9 in August to 57.7, the headline Business Activity Index fell below 60 for the first time in 2024, HSBC's chief India economist Pranjul Bhandari noted. While she flagged the possibility of softer output growth in the coming months, Ms. Bhandari also pointed out that Services companies' margins had likely been squeezed further as prices charged rose at a slower pace when input cost inflation intensified.

Services export orders grew at the weakest pace so far in 2024, while overall new business intakes' growth hit a ten-month low. Firms attributed the slower growth to fierce competition, cost pressures and changes in consumer preference, that is mainly a switch towards online services.

India, U.S. sign pact on critical minerals

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

With China dominating the critical minerals trade, India and the U.S. on Friday signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to expand and diversify critical minerals supply chains.

Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal, who signed the pact with his U.S. counterpart – Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo – said that the two nations were exploring a combined engagement with third countries as well.

"We believe it could be an engagement where third countries could become a source of capital, a source of technology, or a source of critical minerals, or could become markets," the Commerce and Industry Minister said, pointing to opportunities in Africa and Latin America.

Time is not right for GSP, social security totalisation, says Goyal

'No rethink on FDI curbs in multi-brand retail'

Sriram Lakshman
WASHINGTON DC

Now is not the right time to get into a detailed negotiation around two important trade issues for India – a preferential trade programme with the U.S. and a social security agreement, according to Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal.

During his meeting with U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) Katherine Tai, he and Ms. Tai had laid the groundwork for the next Trade Policy Forum, Mr. Goyal said. Speaking to reporters here at the end of a three-day visit to the U.S., Mr. Goyal said it was not the right time to discuss the issue as the U.S. was on the brink of an election.

"Both these issues are not on the agenda right now, not on the agenda before USTR or me," he said, responding to a question from *The Hindu*.

The Minister said that there will be no rethink on the FDI curbs in the multi-brand retail sector, Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal asserted early Friday, noting that several U.S. investors had brought up the subject with him.

"America has suffered the consequences of Big Tech and large retailers and the interplay leading to the almost annihilation of Mom and Pop stores... You could afford it because your population is much smaller, there are alternate avenues for people to do jobs in... That's a choice each country makes," he said.

Referring to India's 100 million small retail stores, he said: "We believe that they play a very important role and we want them to be integrated with technology and e-commerce, or get a chance to withstand the business practices of e-commerce companies but we are not looking at changing the rules of e-commerce."

the government would have to work with the Committee on Ways and Means of the U.S. Congress on the Generalised System of Preferences (GSP) issue.

"It's sad that when it actually originally happened [2019] ... the then government did not really take it seriously enough to solve it at that time, but maybe that's destined for another day," he said.

Price Rise: veg. meals got 11% steeper in September

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The cost of a home-cooked vegetarian meal shot up 11% in September as prices of onion, potato and tomato surged yet again in high double-digits, Crisil's food plate cost tracker showed, suggesting that food inflation may have gone up again last month.

Retail inflation had risen marginally to 3.65% in August, with food inflation ticking up to 5.7%. This was primarily due to prices for vegetables, the third-largest constituent of the Consumer Food Price Index, flaring up 10.7%.

A 51% drop in tomato prices in August had helped moderate vegetarian meal costs 8% in August, but tomato costs resurged 18% last month, Crisil estimated. Onion and potato prices jumped 53% and 50%, marking the 14th and seventh consecutive month of high double-digit upticks, respectively.

The average cost of a vegetarian meal inched up from ₹31.2 in August to ₹31.3 in September. While vegetables account for about 37% of a vegetarian meal cost, pulses, which constitute 9%, also saw a 14% rise in prices last month, Crisil pointed out.

Meal costs could have gone up further, but for an 11% decline in LPG cylinder costs compared with last September. For non-vegetarian meals, a 13% decline in broiler prices, which account for half the meal cost, provided some relief, bringing costs down 2%.

MARKETS

MARKET WATCH

	FRIDAY	% CHANGE
Sensex	81,688	-0.98
US Dollar	83.99	-0.03
Gold	78,450	0.19
Brent oil	78.49	1.78

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	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Enter	3110.65	-5.35
Adani Ports	1413.70	-11.50
Apollo Hosp	6773.60	-132.35
Asian Paints	3072.50	-76.80
Axis Bank	1178.40	2.70
Bajaj Auto	11774.40	-32.05
Bajaj Finserv	1884.55	-28.85
Bajaj Finance	7211.35	-222.50
Bharat Elec	277.20	-1.50
Bharti Airtel	1640.90	-32.55
BPCL	340.25	-8.60
Britannia Ind	6206.00	-125.75
Cipla	1623.30	-33.25
Coal India	497.20	-5.15
Dr Reddys Lab	6633.25	-102.40
Eicher Motors	4706.80	-75.70
Grasim Ind	2745.10	-21.05
HCL Tech	1776.60	-1.95
HDFC Bank	1657.65	-24.35
HDFC Life	708.80	6.55
Hero MotoCorp	5520.85	-141.90
Hindalco	747.90	0.80
Hind Unilever	2848.75	-44.60
ICICI Bank	1239.75	-16.60
IndusInd Bank	1382.85	-4.90
Infosys	1918.15	24.75
ITC	503.55	-9.20
JSW Steel	1033.75	-5.35
Kotak Bank	1809.00	-13.80
L&T	3493.95	-3.70
M&M	3017.45	-112.40
Maruti Suzuki	12605.75	-41.60
NestleIndia	2598.15	-76.70
NTPC	430.45	-4.90
ONGC	295.25	3.20
PowerGrid Corp	338.85	-5.30
Reliance Ind	2773.05	-40.90
SBI Life	1798.10	-7.45
State Bank	796.65	2.55
Shriram Finance Ltd.	3336.30	-73.20
Sun Pharma	1910.05	-0.80
TataConsumerProduct	1130.40	-22.35
Tata Motors	930.75	5.05
Tata Steel	166.75	-0.23
TCS	4252.25	19.50
Tech Mahindra	1616.45	12.40
Titan	3670.10	-4.85
Trent Ltd.	7353.30	-134.60
UltraTech Cement	11450.25	-274.55
Wipro	533.55	3.40

EXCHANGE RATES

Indicative direct rates in rupees a unit except yen at 4 p.m. on October 04

CURRENCY	TT BUY	TT SELL
US Dollar	83.77	84.09
Euro	92.44	92.80
British Pound	110.33	110.76
Japanese Yen (100)	57.19	57.42
Chinese Yuan	11.93	11.98
Swiss Franc	98.41	98.79
Singapore Dollar	64.56	64.81
Canadian Dollar	61.81	62.05
Malaysian Ringitt	19.83	19.96
Australian Dollar	57.32	57.55

Source:Indian Bank

Stock indices fall 1%

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

The bearish sentiment continued in the Indian equity markets on Friday with key benchmark indices falling about 1% due to selling on account of growing tensions in West Asia.

The S&P BSE Sensex fell 808.65 points, or 0.98%, to close at 81,688.45. The NSE Nifty-50 index too dropped 235.50 points, or 0.93%, to end the week at 25,014.60.

Q2: HDFC Bank loan book grew 7%

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Private sector HDFC Bank on Friday said the bank has registered a 7% rise in loans to ₹25.19 lakh crore in the second quarter of this fiscal.

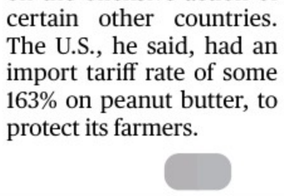
The credit book was ₹23.54 lakh crore as of September 30 last year. During the quarter ended September 30, 2024, the Bank securitised/assigned loans of ₹19,200 crore as a strategic initiative, it said in a regulatory filing.

The Bank's average deposits were ₹23.53 lakh crore for the September 2024 quarter, a growth of around 15.4% against ₹20.38 lakh crore for the September 2023 quarter, it said. The average Liquidity Coverage Ratio was around 127% for the quarter, said the lender that completed a merger with parent HDFC Ltd. last July.

In its annual report for 2023-24, HDFC Bank managing director and CEO Sashidhar Jagdishan had said, "It is our endeavour to bring down the credit to deposit ratio to pre-merger levels and focus would be to maintain adequate liquidity buffers, repayment of borrowings as and when they mature, including weighing any prepayment opportunities that may arise, and pursuing profitable sources of lending."

Goyal shrugs off impact of Trump's import tariff proposal

Sriram Lakshman
WASHINGTON, DC



Union Minister Piyush Goyal with U.S. Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo. PTI

Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal has said that India-U.S. trade relations would not be impacted by former U.S. President and Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump proposing a universal 20% import tariff for goods coming into the U.S., suggesting that it was campaign rhetoric.

"I don't think comments made during an election determine our relations," Mr. Goyal said, during a press conference on Thursday evening in Washington, DC at the end of his three-day visit to the U.S.

Mr. Trump had proposed a 20% tariff on imports into the U.S., with a higher rate of 60-100% on Chinese imports.

The Modi government had good relations with the administrations of Joe Biden, Donald Trump and Barack Obama and that things were getting progressively better, the Union Minister said.

Mr. Trump, during a campaign event on September 18, had described India as "very tough" and a "big abuser" in the U.S.-India trade context.

Mr. Goyal said India considered the U.S. as one of the "most reliable trade partners" and "outstanding" trade partner, with whom trade was expanding in every dimension.

"And we deeply value this relationship," he said.

Defends tariff regime

Mr. Goyal, defended India's tariff regime in reference to remarks made by former Trump administration U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) Bob Lighthizer. The official had, in his 2023 book, praised Minister Goyal but termed India as "the most protectionist country".

Mr. Goyal responded to this on Thursday saying every country protects certain goods based on its national interest and based on the offensive action of certain other countries. The U.S., he said, had an import tariff rate of some 163% on peanut butter, to protect its farmers.

RAJASTHAN RAJYA VIDYUT PRASARAN NIGAM LIMITED
Notice Inviting Bid

(A). Bid for Construction of 220/132 KV, 1X160 MVA & 132/33 KVA, 1X50 MVA GSS at 220 kV GSS BEGUN (Distt.-Chittorgarh)and 33 KV, 5.43 MVAR Capacitor Bank along with associated Bays (excluding Power Transformers) in Rajasthan including survey, supply of all equipment's/material, erection (including civil works), testing and commissioning (Turnkey Project) against specification No. RVPN/EHV/BN-9018002410 (UBN: VPN2425WLOB01600) invited from interested bidders up to 04:00 PM on 08.11.2024.

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Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal **(http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in)** of the state; and **http://energy.rajasthan.gov.in/rvpnl** departmental website.

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Superintending Engineer (Contract - I), Jaipur

MAHATRANSCO
Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd.

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S. N.	RFx/Tender No. & Description
01	RFx No. 7000033158 Work of replacement of existing 0.4 ACSR conductor along with hardware by High Performance Conductor (HPC) of 220kV Beed-Manjarsumba - Patoda Line & 220kV Beed - Patoda Line and strengthening of associated line end bays for RE power evacuation under GEC under Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar Zone. Estimated Cost: Rs 70,01,22,451.24/- Only (Including GST& Labour cess) EMD- Rs. 70,01,224.51/- Tender Fees:- Rs 25000/- (Including GST) Start Date -05.10.2024 Submission Date - 06.11.2024.

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1	Date of Online Registration & Upload of documents	07th October 2024 (From 2:00 PM) to 09th October 2024 (Till 2:00 PM)	02 Days
2	Date of Deposition of Registration & Security Money	07th October 2024 (From 2:00 PM) to 09th October 2024 (Till 05:00 PM)	03 Days
3	Date of Merit List Declaration	10th October 2024	01 Day
4	Date of on-line Choice filling	11th October 2024 (From 02:00 PM) to 15th October 2024 (Till 02:00 PM)	04 Days
5	Date of Allotment Result Declaration	18th October 2024	01 Day
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PARIS

French cinema's beloved 'worried clown' Michel Blanc dies aged 72

AFP

France on Friday mourned actor Michel Blanc, beloved by generations for bringing a comic quality to even his saddest characters including losers and hypochondriacs. Blanc died early on Friday, aged 72, his family said. Blanc is most remembered for his breakthrough role in *French Fried Vacation*, a 1978 comedy. AFP

BRUSSELS

EU states greenlight extra tariffs on EVs from China for next five years

AFP

EU countries gave a definitive green light on Friday to hefty additional tariffs on electric cars made in China, despite German warnings that it will spark a trade war with Beijing. The European Commission, which provisionally approved the step in June, now has free rein to impose steep tariffs for five years. AFP

SANAA

U.S.-British strikes launched on Yemen's Sanaa and Hodeidah

AP

U.S.-British air strikes were launched at several parts of Yemen including its capital Sanaa and Hodeidah airport, *Al Masirah TV*, the main television news outlet run by the Houthi movement controlling much of Yemen, and residents said on Friday. Strikes also targeted the south of Dhamar city, it added. REUTERS

PORT LOUIS

Mauritius will hold legislative election on Nov. 10: President

AFP

Mauritius will hold legislative elections on November 10, the presidency announced on Friday, just a day after a landmark deal to regain sovereignty over a chain of islands from Britain. President Prithvirajsing Roopun's office said Parliament was being dissolved, and candidates must be nominated by October 22. AFP

Khamenei in rare sermon vows to keep fighting Israel

Tehran-backed armed groups will not back down, they are engaged in 'logical and legitimate' action against Israel and 'no one has the right to criticise them', says Iran's Supreme Leader

Agence France-Presse
TEHRAN

Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, delivering a rare Friday sermon in Arabic, defended this week's missile attack on Israel that deepened fears of a regional war and praised allies' defiance.

Speaking in front of tens of thousands at a mosque in the capital Tehran, Mr. Khamenei said armed groups in the West Asia "will not back down" even after a spate of Israeli killings of militant leaders.

In his first public Friday sermon in nearly five years, Mr. Khamenei spoke in Arabic to discuss fighting against Israel by the Iran-aligned "axis of resistance", including Lebanon's Hezbollah and Palestinian group Hamas.

Massive attendance: People assembled for the prayers at Imam Khomeini Musalla Mosque in Tehran on Friday. GETTY IMAGES

"The resistance in the region will not back down with these martyrdoms, and will win," Mr. Khamenei told the crowd at the Imam Khomeini Grand Mosalla mosque, where supporters carried portraits of slain Hezbollah and Hamas leaders.

He hailed the groups' "fierce defence" against Israeli forces over the past year, since Hamas's October 7 attack sparked the war in the Gaza Strip that has since spread to Lebanon and other parts of the West Asia.

The Tehran-backed militants were engaged in "logical and legitimate" action against Israel, Mr. Khamenei said, and "no one has the right to criticise them". Mr. Khamenei spoke with a rifle by his side, a common tradition in Iran for Shia Muslim imams leading Friday prayers, meant to signal preparedness to face an enemy.

The speech was preceded by a commemoration ceremony Hezbollah chief Hassan Nasrallah who was killed in an Israeli strike on southern Beirut on September 27.

Military killed 250 Hezbollah fighters in 4 days: Israel

Agence France-Presse
JERUSALEM

The Israeli military on Friday said its forces had killed 250 Hezbollah fighters during the past four days after launching ground operations in southern Lebanon.

It also added that its fighter jets struck Hezbollah targets near a key Lebanese-Syrian border crossing overnight, the latest in a series of heavy strikes against the Iran-backed group.

The Army said the air raids were aimed at preventing the flow of weapons into Lebanon from neighbouring Syria and included targeting an alleged "3.5 kilometre long underground tunnel" used to move arms across the border.

Abortion or immigration? A race to frame the contest

NEWS ANALYSIS

Varghese K. George

Republican candidate Donald Trump with Democratic candidate Kamala Harris during a presidential debate in September. AFP

With exactly 30 days to go before Election Day in the U.S., the two principal contestants for the post of the 47th President are trying to frame the election on the single issue that favour them – for Democrat Kamala Harris, that is abortion rights and for Republican Donald Trump, that is immigration.

Simultaneously, both are trying to reposition themselves on the issue that put them on the defensive – Ms. Harris wants to appear tougher than she has been on the issue of illegal immigration and Mr. Trump wants to appear softer than he used to be on the question of abortion. This contest to frame the contest remains deadlocked as neither has been able to completely overwhelm the American public discourse.

Both Ms. Harris and Mr. Trump would like to sharpen polarisation on one, and diffuse the debate on the other. Both sides misrepresent each other in pursuit of a favourable framing of the contest. In the chaotic mess of issues that confuse Americans – from inflation to global wars to fracking and climate – these are two issues that both parties hope can help them build clarity in their favour.

The abortion debate has been politically rewarding for the Democrats and costly for the Republicans in recent past. In the 2022 mid-term elections that followed the U.S. Supreme Court ruling that abortion was not a constitutionally guaranteed right, Democrats retained control of the Senate and performed above expectations in the House of Representatives. This was attributed largely to an increased support among women for the Democrats.

According to an American University poll this week, Ms. Harris is increasing her lead over Mr. Trump among women voters, and 86% of women disapprove of any government intervention in reproductive choices. Mr. Trump who had earlier claimed credit for the overturning of the constitutional right to abortion by the SC, is now trying to mellow down. His running mate J.D. Vance, appearing in a debate with his opponent Tim Walz this week, admitted that the Republicans need to do "so much better... at earning the American people's trust back on this issue, where they frankly just don't trust us".

Mr. Trump's wife Melania is reportedly in support of protecting abortion in her memoir slated for release on October 8. A recent *New York Times*-Siena College Poll found abortion rights are one question that Ms. Harris has a significant advantage over Mr. Trump. While Mr. Trump and Mr. Vance are trying to moderate their position on abortion, the Harris campaign accuse them of planning to enforce a nationwide ban or regulation of abortion.

The Trump campaign seeks to link nearly all problems of America to the influx of unauthorised people. According to official estimates, around 10 million people entered the U.S. illegally during the Biden-Harris administration. The Trump campaign alleges this number is 22 million and tries to pin the entire blame on Ms. Harris. Ms. Harris has been promising a strong border policy besides blaming Mr. Trump for blocking border management measures proposed by the Biden administration.

In reality, both abortion and immigration are questions of detail than principle for most Americans, multiple polls show. For instance, until what stage of pregnancy should abortion be legal or how to manage the admission of new entrants into the U.S., and how many of them should be allowed. Erasing all nuances from the positions, of self and the opponent, appears to be the strategy of both campaigns to gain political mileage.

Russia calls on West to lift sanctions on Afghanistan

Agence France-Presse
MOSCOW

Russia's Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov called on Friday for the West to lift sanctions on Taliban-led Afghanistan and take "responsibility" for reconstruction efforts in the country.

Moscow is moving towards removing its own designation of the Taliban as a "terrorist" organisation, a move that could advance cooperation between Moscow and Kabul.

"We urge Western countries to recognise their responsibility for the post-conflict reconstruction of Afghanistan, lift sanctions restrictions and return Kabul's expropriated assets," Mr. Lavrov said.

Western sanctions were imposed over two decades ago to restrict financing to 'terror groups'

Restricting finances

The Taliban has been under Western sanctions for more than two decades, measures initially imposed to restrict the financing of al-Qaeda and other organisations designated "terrorist" groups.

Russia's presidential envoy on Afghanistan, Zamir Kabulov, said he hoped a "final decision" on removing the group from Russia's "terrorist" blacklist "will be announced in the very near future," state news agencies reported.

The officials were speaking as Russia hosted an annual diplomatic forum on Afghanistan, involving envoys from the Taliban and neighbouring countries in the West and Central Asia.

Kim threatens to use nukes if attacked

Agence France-Presse
SEOUL

North Korean leader Kim Jong-un said his country would use nuclear weapons "without hesitation" if attacked by the South and ally the United States, state media reported on Friday.

Relations between the two Koreas are at one of their lowest points in decades, with Seoul this week staging a military parade where it showcased its bunker-busting "monster" missile and President Yoon Suk Yeol warned Mr. Kim that using nukes would mean the end of his regime.

Kim Jong-un

Seoul, which does not have nuclear weapons of its own, is covered by the United States' nuclear umbrella.

Sport

Spinners rule the roost as Mumbai tightens the noose

Amol Karhadkar
LUCKNOW

The beauty of a five-day cricket match between two quality sides was on full display.

After being made to toil for the first three days, the spin twins from each of the teams made optimum use of a wearing surface at the Bharat Ratna Shree Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ekana Cricket Stadium to ensure that the last day's play of the Irani Cup game between Ranji Trophy champion Mumbai and Rest of India will be far from being a formality.

Twelve wickets fell on Friday, the penultimate day of the game - two less than the combined tally over the first three days - with the spinners snaring 11 of them (the other was a run-out).

With a solid lead of 274 runs, including the 121-run advantage it gained in the first essay, Mumbai appears to be the team in control.

With uneven bounce and vicious turn for an odd ball being a regular phenomenon on a track with multiple roughs, Prithvi Shaw's aggressive fifty (76, 105b, 8x4, 1x6) ensured Mumbai continued to take the game away from RoI.

But a change of angle to around-the-wicket worked wonders for Saransh Jain, the offie, who bowled a dream ball that held its line and crashed into off-stump. Two balls later, Shams Mulani was cleaned up after shouldering arms.

RoI will hope to wipe out Mumbai early on the fifth morning and let its batters go for the kill with a "nothing-to-lose" mindset.

Taking flight: Saransh's four-for ensured Mumbai did not run away with the game. SANDEEP SAXENA

The RoI tweaker can take a cue from the manner in which Mumbai folded up the RoI innings in no time after Abhimanyu Easwaran and Dhruv Jurel started the morning off on a solid note. The duo batted without any hassle, even when Mohit Avasthi and Shardul Thakur shared the new ball.

With less than half an hour for the lunch break, both the batters got close to their personal milestones. While Jurel - whose drives were a treat to watch - had raced into the 90s, Abhimanyu had entered the 190s. Mulani changed the angle and came over the wicket and was rewarded immediately with Jurel's sweep resulting in a bottom edge to wicketkeeper Hardik Tamore.

In his next over, Mulani continued to bowl in the rough and Abhimanyu topedged a sweep for Kotian to rush in from short fine-leg to complete the catch. Kotian then wiped the tail off as RoI lost its last six wickets for just 23 runs.

The scores:

Mumbai – 1st innings: 537.

Rest of India – 1st innings: Ruturaj Gaikwad c Shaw b Juned 9, Abhimanyu Easwaran c Kotian b Mulani 191, B. Sai Sudharsan lbw b Kotian 32, Devdutt Padikkal c Tamore b Avasthi 16, Ishan Kishan c Tamore b Avasthi 38, Dhruv Jurel c Tamore b Mulani 93, Manav Suthar b Mulani 6, Saransh Jain (not out) 9, Yash Dayal (run out) 6, M. Prasidh Krishna c Sarfaraz b Kotian 0, Mukesh Kumar c & b Kotian 0; Extras (lb-9, nb-7): 16; Total (in 110 overs): 416.

Fall of wickets: 1-40, 2-127, 3-158, 4-228, 5-393, 6-396, 7-405, 8-416, 9-416.

Mumbai bowling: Avasthi 22-1-97-2, Juned 17-0-70-1, Mulani 40-4-122-3, Kotian 27-2-101-3, Shardul 4-0-17-0.

Mumbai – 2nd innings: Prithvi Shaw b Saransh 76, Ayush Mhatre st. Jurel b Saransh 14, Hardik Tamore c Jurel b Suthar 7, Ajinkya Rahane lbw b Suthar 9, Shreyas Iyer b Saransh 8, Sarfaraz Khan (batting) 9, Shams Mulani b Saransh 0, Tanush Kotian (batting) 20; Extras (b-4, lb-2, nb-2, w-2): 10; Total (for six wkts. in 40 overs): 153.

Fall of wickets: 1-52, 2-85, 3-106, 4-115, 5-125, 6-125.

Rest of India bowling: Mukesh 3-0-25-0, Prasidh 2-0-15-0, Saransh 18-3-67-4, Suthar 17-1-40-2.

Contentious decisions raise eyebrows

Amol Karhadkar
LUCKNOW

An interesting day's play in the Irani Cup tie on Friday had some intriguing moments due to two umpiring decisions that both teams will feel hard done by.

Abhijeet Bengeri, the TV umpire, was at the centre of the decisions.

Obstructing the field

While the Mumbai players argued with the on-field umpires moments after lunch when Yash Dayal was adjudged not out, the Rest of India fielders made their displeasure known in the dying minutes of the day when he turned down an obstructing the field appeal against Mumbai batter Sarfaraz Khan.

The decision over Sarfaraz with 20-odd minutes remaining in the day's play was more controversial. With Tanush Kotian driving the ball wide of B.Sai Sudharsan at mid-off, Sarfaraz started running to the other end.

He even changed direction before making it to the crease and the ball thudded into his shoulder.

While Sarfaraz went down and sought treatment, RoI appealed, claiming that Sarfaraz had obstructed the field.

After multiple replays, umpire Bengeri was heard on camera saying Sarfaraz's gesture was "unintentional" and he was adjudged not out.

DEFLATING

There weren't many positives in this game, admits Jemimah

AP

Jemimah Rodrigues said India needs to find a way to move on from a deflating opening defeat to New Zealand in the T20 World Cup. "There weren't many positives in this game. But going forward, we need to take the learnings, find a way to pick ourselves up and keep going because that's the character of this team," she said.

WELL-PLANNED

We've been targeting the India match for a long time: Devine

AP

Sophie Devine revealed that New Zealand had been planning for the India World Cup encounter for almost a year. "We've been targeting this game for a long time. To come out and lay a marker is great but we've got a long way to go in the tournament... I'm overwhelmed and proud of this group," she said.

RAZOR SHARP

I loved the way she attacked the stumps: Devine on Mair

AP

Sophie Devine lauded pacer Rosemary Mair who was the pick of the bowlers for the White Ferns. "She's had a tough run with injuries. I loved the way she attacked the stumps and had variations in pace. My favourite thing about bowlers like her is when they tell me how they're going to bowl and get things done. She's a key bowler."

POSITIVE OUTLOOK

We need to win it, that's the mentality of the team: Mlaba

@ICC

Nonkululeko Mlaba hailed the fire in the bellies of the South African side to go the distance in the Women's T20 World Cup. "We need to win it. We failed at the semifinals a couple of times and we failed in the final (last year). Now it's either we win it or not. So that's the mentality of the team now," she said.

Devine's New Zealand pulls off a heist against Harmanpreet's insipid India

After the White Ferns skipper leads the side to 160 with a superb innings, the bowlers crush the hopes of the Women in Blue; Mair scalps four

Lot to cheer about: New Zealand dominated the contest from the start, the bowlers derailing India's chase after the Devine show. AP

SCOREBOARD

NEW ZEALAND

Suzie Bates c Shreyanka b Arundhati 27 *(24b, 2x4)*, Georgia Plimmer c Smriti b Sobhana 34 *(23b, 3x4, 1x6)*, Amelia Kerr c Pooja b Renuka 13 *(22b)*, Sophie Devine (not out) 57 *(36b, 7x4)*, Brooke Halliday c Smriti b Renuka 16 *(12b, 2x4)*, Maddy Green (not out) 5 *(3b, 1x4)*; Extras (b-4, w-4): 8; Total (for four wkts. in 20 overs): 160.

FALL OF WICKETS

1-67 (Bates, 7.4 overs), 2-67 (Plimmer, 8.1), 3-99 (Amelia, 14.2), 4-145 (Halliday, 18.4).

INDIA BOWLING

Pooja 1-0-9-0, Renuka 4-0-27-2, Deepti 4-0-45-0, Arundhati 4-0-28-1, Sobhana 4-0-22-1, Shreyanka 3-0-25-0.

INDIA

Smriti Mandhana c Green b Carson 12 *(13b, 2x4)*, Shafali Verma c & b Carson 2 *(4b)*, Harmanpreet Kaur lbw b Mair 15 *(14b, 2x4)*, Jemimah Rodrigues c Green b Tahuhu 13 *(11b, 1x4)*, Richa Ghosh c Devine b Tahuhu 12 *(19b)*, Deepti Sharma c Devine b Tahuhu 13 *(18b)*, Arundhati Reddy c Bates b Mair 1 *(4b)*, Pooja Vastrakar b Amelia 8 *(7b, 1x4)*, Shreyanka Patil c sub (Penfold) b Mair 7 *(13b, 1x4)*, Asha Sobhana (not out) 6 *(10b)*, Renuka Singh c Devine b Mair 0 *(1b)*; Extras (b-2, w-11): 13; Total (in 19 overs): 102.

FALL OF WICKETS

1-11 (Shafali, 1.1), 2-28 (Smriti, 4.4), 3-42 (Harmanpreet, 5.4), 4-55 (Jemimah, 8.5), 5-70 (Richa, 10.6), 6-75 (Arundhati, 12.2), 7-88 (Deepti, 14.4), 8-90 (Pooja, 15.3), 9-102 (Shreyanka, 18.5).

NEW ZEALAND BOWLING

Jess 3-0-13-0, Carson 4-0-34-2, Mair 4-0-19-4, Amelia 4-0-19-1, Tahuhu 4-0-15-3.

Toss: NZ; **PoM:** Devine.

New Zealand won by 58 runs.

WOMEN'S T20 WC

Lavanya L
DUBAI

In the run-up to its tournament opener against New Zealand, India's focus was on the No. 3 slot.

Perhaps, it would have been prudent to concentrate on the rest of the line-up too as a spectacular batting collapse saw the Women in Blue suffer a 58-run loss at the Dubai International Cricket Stadium here on Friday.

New Zealand's senior pros – skipper Sophie Devine, Suzie Bates and Lea Tahuhu – guided a young Kiwi side to a crucial win in its opener.

Chasing a target of 161, which would have been the second-biggest chase in the tournament's history, India lost Shafali Verma in the second over when Eden Carson took a simple catch off her own bowling.

Smriti Mandhana and the new No. 3 batter, skipper Harmanpreet Kaur, were also dismissed within the PowerPlay.

The idea of promoting Harmanpreet was to allow her time to settle down and then increase the tempo, but she never got to the second part of that gameplan.

With Jemimah Rodrigues also falling before the 10th over, the onus fell on Richa Ghosh and Deepti Sharma. However, desperation drove Richa to try and manufacture a shot off Tahuhu in the 11th over, an attempt that only found Devine at mid-off.

By then, a considerable number of fans who were up on their feet with India flags and 'RCB RCB' chants began making their way home.

Earlier, the White Ferns opted to bat in relatively cooler conditions and found the ball coming on well. The batters were able to use the pace of the ball and nudge it to the boundary ropes as New Zealand raced to 55 for no loss in the PowerPlay.

The run flow was also a result of some poor fielding from India. Seamer Arundhati Reddy found herself at the receiving end, a misfield conceding a boundary and a sitter shockingly dropped by Richa and giving Suzie Bates a life.

Opener Bates and Georgia Plimmer added 67 before Arundhati finally got her wicket when the former holed out to Shreyanka Patil at cow corner.

Amelia Kerr joined Plimmer but struggled throughout her eventful stay at the crease. Striking at a lacklustre rate of 59.09, Amelia looked like she wanted to be anywhere but the field. Off the last ball of the 14th over, she looked to run out, but the umpires revoked the decision though the batter was caught well short of the crease when Devine called her for a second run.

The umpires ruled the ball dead due to the delayed call, saying that the over ended after the single was completed. The decision left the Indians protesting, with animated discussions from the players and support staff too.

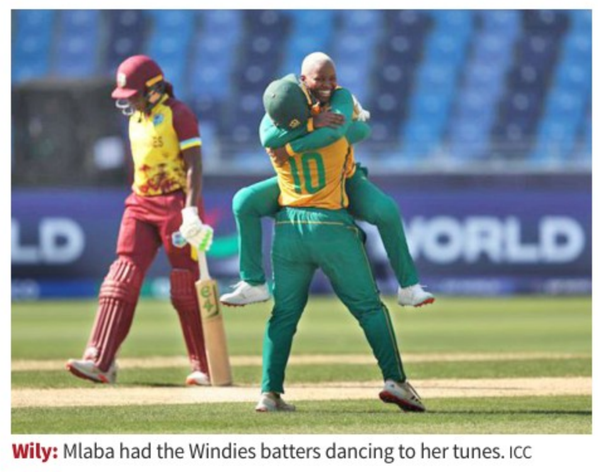
Amelia, however, fell in the very next over, caught by Pooja Vastrakar at cover off Renuka Singh's bowling.

Devine then led from the front with a fluent unbeaten 57 as she displayed her repertoire of shots as well as impeccable footwork. She ensured that in the dry and sapping skies of the Middle East, a Kiwi would enjoy some time in flight.

India's next match

October 6: vs Pakistan, Dubai (3.30 p.m. IST)

Rollicking Proteas breeze past a lacklustre Windies



Wily: Mlaba had the Windies batters dancing to her tunes. ICC

Lavanya L
DUBAI

West Indies came into the Women's T20 World Cup determined to operate with confidence. That cloak of belief was one of the first things the Dubai heat melted to the ground on a hot and humid Friday afternoon. A lacklustre batting performance was enough to resign the Windies to a massive 10-wicket defeat at the hands of Laura Wolvaardt's South Africa in their campaign opener at the Dubai International Cricket Stadium.

Wolvaardt won the toss and opted to field, leaning on Dubai's propensity to aid chasing teams.

The West Indies innings never got going as Nonkululeko Mlaba (four for 29) went through the WI middle order with ease. She beat Shemaine Campbell for pace and removed Chinelle Henry off consecutive balls in the 12th over.

A 35-run stand between Stafanie Taylor and Zaida James took West Indies to a sub-par 118 for six. By the end, Taylor could barely stand because of the sun slurping away at her energy. She slowly trudged her way back to the pavilion after the innings, never to return again for the match.

The chase was straightforward and laid back with Wolvaardt and Tazmin Brits taking their time to settle and tune their rhythm to the beats of the pitch. A frustrating day on the field for the Windies got worse when James copped a return ball from the SA skipper to the jaw and had to walk away with a swollen face.

Wolvaardt played the aggressor, astutely finding the gaps and keeping the boundaries coming. The pair eventually got to their fifties and sealed the fixture with 13 balls to spare.

The scores: West Indies 118/6 in 20 overs (Taylor 44 n.o., Kapp 2/14, Mlaba 4/29) lost to South Africa 119/0 in 17.5 overs (Wolvaardt 59 n.o., Brits 57 n.o.); **Toss:** SA; **PoM:** Mlaba.

Carlsen succumbs to time pressure; Knights move to the top of the table

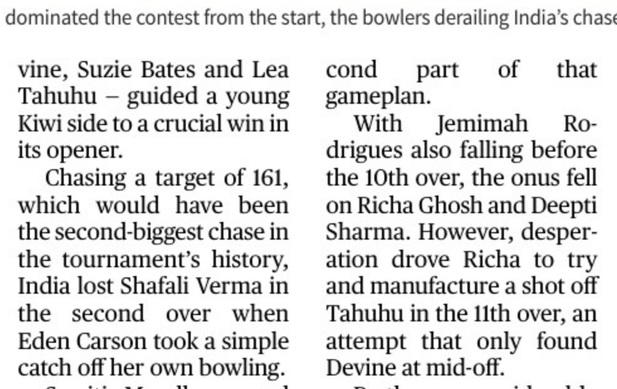
GCL

P.K. Ajith Kumar
LONDON

Speed chess has become speedier in Season 2 of the Tech Mahindra Global Chess League. Since the players get no increment for the moves they make, one could lose on time, from winning positions that is. That happened to the World No. 1 Magnus Carlsen on day two of the league at Friends House here on Friday.

Playing on the Icon board for Alpine SG Pipers, the Norwegian was on course for a victory against Frenchman Firouzja Alireza of Triveni Continental Kings. Carlsen had just turned his pawn into queen and had also the bishop, while his rival only had the lone knight, with which, of course, you could force a checkmate theoretically.

Thus Alireza, for whom



Time trouble: World No. 1 Carlsen was humbled by Firouzja. GLOBAL CHESS LEAGUE

Carlsen has the highest regard among the game's young talents, won. Continental Kings won the match too, 17-4. Apart from Alireza, there were also wins for Wei Yi, Valentina Gunina and Javokhir Sindarov.

upGrad Mumba Masters also impressed in its 14-5 win against Ganges Grandmasters.

Maxime Vachier-Lagrave defeated Viswanathan Anand in the battle of the Icon players, and there were also wins for Koneru Humpy and Raunak Sadhwani.

But the day belonged to PGB Alaskan Knights, which won both its matches – against Gambits (14-2) and Mumba Masters (8-5).

Knights thus moved into the lead at the end of the seventh match, with nine points. Mumba Masters, Kings, Pipers and Gambits are on three points.

The results: Triveni Continental Kings bt Alpine SG Pipers 17-4 (Firouzja Alireza bt Magnus Carlsen; Wei Yi bt R. Praggnanandhaa; Teimour Radjabov lost to Richard Rapport; Alexandra Kosteniuk drew with Hou Yifan; Valentina Gunina bt Kateryna Lagno; Javokhir Sindarov bt Daniel Dardha).

PGB Alaskan Knights bt American Gambits 14-2 (Anish Giri drew with Hikaru Nakamura; Nodirbek Abdusattorov drew with Jan-Krzysztof Duda; Shakhriyar Mamyedarov bt Yu Yangyi; Tan Zhongyi bt Bibisara Assaubayeva; Alina Kashlinskaya bt Elisabeth Paehtz; Nihal Sarin bt Jonas Buhl Bjerre).

upGrad Mumba Masters bt Ganges Grandmasters 14-5 (Maxime Vachier-Lagrave bt Viswanathan Anand; Vidit Gujrathi drew with Arjun Erigaisi; Peter Svidler lost to Parham Maghsoodloo; Koneru Humpy bt R. Vaishali; D. Harika drew with Nurgyul Salimova; Raunak Sadhwani bt Volodar Murzin).

Alaskan Knights bt Mumba Masters 8-5 (Giri drew with Vachier-Lagrave; Abdusattorov drew with Gujrathi; Mamyedarov drew with Svidler; Tan drew with Humpy; Kashlinskaya drew with Harika; Nihal bt Sadhwani).

(The correspondent is London at the invitation of Tech Mahindra)

Svidler – Russian Grandmaster who loves the grand stage of Test cricket

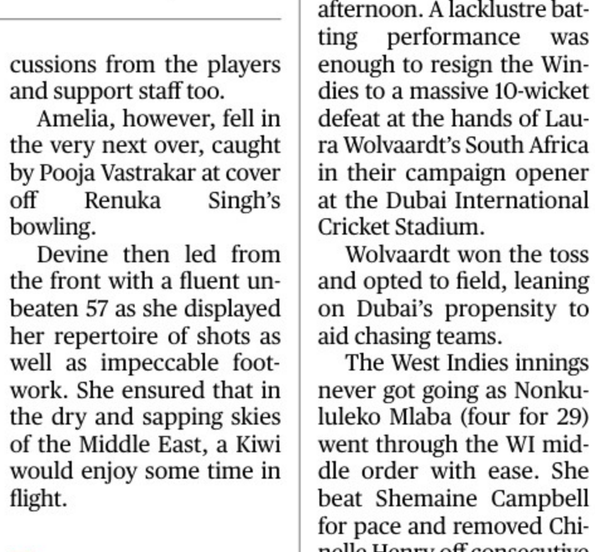
P.K. Ajith Kumar
LONDON

Yashasvi Jaiswal has an unlikely admirer. Peter Svidler, a Russian chess player and a World Cup winner, loves to watch the Indian left-hander bat, especially in Test cricket.

Svidler, who became a cricket convert after watching the India-Pakistan match in the 1999 World Cup, remains fascinated by the game, especially the drama it offers.

"I feel a great Test match is a reflection of life itself, with all the twists and turns that happen during five days," Svidler told *The Hindu* here on Friday. "I have started watching the IPL too, and I found it interesting."

Svidler, who is playing for upGrad Mumba Masters at the Tech Mahindra Global Chess League, is grateful to English Grandmaster and former World title match challenger Nigel Short for introducing cricket to him. "I remember him telling me, 'I will show you something you have not seen before', and I loved it right away."



Fascination: Svidler became a cricket convert after watching the India-Pakistan match in the 1999 World Cup. GLOBAL CHESS LEAGUE

Among his favourite cricketers is Shane Warne. "I have watched him playing for Hampshire, and he was such a great spinner," Svidler said. "And I have also liked watching Muttiah Muralitharan bowl."

As for the Global Chess League, Svidler finds it exciting. "I was a commentator last year and am playing in this edition," he said.

"I think the time control (the lack of increment) is going to be a challenge for everybody, but I understand the idea behind it. And it is interesting to have new things."

Chess carnival

He believes the GCL could become a very prominent event in the chess calendar. "It has a carnival feel to it," he said. "Being a cricket fan, I know where the inspiration for this league comes from."

Svidler said he was not surprised by India's stunning success at the Chess Olympiad.

No weaknesses

"There were no weaknesses for India and it had five strong players," he said.

"I was doing the commentary on the Olympiad and by the fourth round, we were saying who was going to take points off these kids (the Indian men's team).

"It didn't seem like they could be stopped. The double was historic though the women weren't as dominant as the men."

Rethin and Maaya storm into finals

Nitin will face the 17-year-old in the men's summit clash; the 15-year-old, who beat Riya in straight sets, takes on Vaidehi in the women's title clash

NATIONAL TENNIS

Kamesh Srinivasan
NEW DELHI

Two of the brightest juniors in Indian tennis, Maaya Rajeshwaran and Rethin Pranav, showcased their potential yet again, as they made it to the finals of the women's and men's events in the Fenesta National championship at the DLTA Complex on Friday.

The 15-year-old Maaya, a precocious talent from Coimbatore, made little fuss in knocking out the second seed and former champion Riya Bhatia 6-3, 6-2.

She will be up against fluent-stroking Vaidehi Chaudhari who has dropped only 11 games in four matches.

The big-built Rethin, a rare talent from Karur, has capitalised on his lucky-loser spot in the main draw with a remarkably splendid run.

Rethin eased past the experienced Abhinav Sanjeev Shanmugam for the loss of five games in the semifinals.

Nitin Kumar Sinha played a brilliant match to turn the tide against Olympian and former champion Vishnu Vardhan in the other men's semifinal.

Stunning display: Rethin eased past Abhinav for the loss of five games. KAMESH SRINIVASAN

The results: Men (semifinals): Nitin Kumar Sinha bt Vishnu Vardhan 5-7, 6-4, 6-2; Rethin Pranav bt Abhinav Sanjeev Shanmugam 6-3, 6-2.

Doubles (final): Ishaque Eqbal & Faisal Qamar bt Fardeen Mohammed & Abhinansu Borthakur 6-0, 6-2.

Women (semifinals): Vaidehi Chaudhari bt Pooja Ingale 6-1, 6-2; Maaya Rajeshwaran bt Riya Bhatia 6-3, 6-2.

Doubles (final): Akanksha Nitture & Soha Sadiq bt Sai Samhitha & Pooja Ingale 6-3, 3-6, [10-4].

U-18 boys (semifinals): Aradhya Kshitij bt Karan Thapa 6-2, 6-0; Shanker Heisnam bt Varun Verma 7-6(3), 2-1 (retired).

Doubles (final): Rian Sharma & Aradhya Kshitij bt Smit Patel & Vatsal Manaikantan 6-3, 7-6(4).

U-18 girls (semifinals): Diya Ramesh bt Sejal Bhutada 7-5, 6-2; Prisha Shinde bt Anandita Upadhyay 6-4, 6-3.

Doubles (final): Arzan Khorakiwala & Nainika Reddy bt Shaivi Dalal & Parthasarthi Mundhe 6-3, 7-5.

Hockey India League is back!

Uthra Ganesan
NEW DELHI

The Hockey India League, returning after a seven-year hiatus, will see players from top sides across the world back in action in India over 36 days starting this December. The team franchises were officially announced here on Friday.

With eight men's and six women's teams, it will be the first professional league to have both men and women playing concurrently. While the men's games will be played in Rourkela, the women will be in action in Ranchi.

The women's final will be held on January 26 in Ranchi while the men's summit clash will be on February 1 in Rourkela.

The franchises:

Men: Chennai (Charles Group), Lucknow (Yadu Sports), Punjab (JSW Sports), West Bengal (Shrachi Sports), Delhi (SG Sports and Entertainment), Odisha (Vedanta Limited), Hyderabad (Resolute Sports), Ranchi (Navoyam Sports Ventures).

Women: Haryana (JSW Sports), West Bengal (Shrachi Sports), Delhi (SG Sports and Entertainment), Odisha (Navoyam Sports Ventures).

KARNATAKA ROUND-UP

Online ticket sales for India-NZ first Test from today

BENGALURU: The online ticket sales for India's first Test against New Zealand, scheduled to be held at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru from October 16, will commence from today, 10 a.m. onwards.

Tickets can be purchased on *www.insider.in* / *www.ksca.cricket*. Season tickets (all five days) range from ₹600 (H-Lower) to ₹7,500 (P-Terrace).

Narrow win for Baroda

Baroda pipped Karnataka by two wickets in a BCCI U-19 Women's T20 Trophy match in Chennai on Friday.

The scores: Baroda 119/7 in 20 overs (Trisha 28, Prapti 38 n.o., Srinith P. Rai 4/12) bt Karnataka 112/8 in 20 overs (Shreya S. Chavan 37, Lavanya Chalana 38, Riddhi Singh 3/25).

Maharashtra pips Karnataka

Hardik Raj's half-century (72) went in vain as Maharashtra registered a narrow-two-run win over Karnataka in a Vinoo Mankad (U-19) Trophy encounter in Cuttack on Friday.

The scores: Maharashtra 228 in 45.3 overs (Sahil Parakh 25, Niraj Joshi 84, Kiran Chormale 40, Yogesh Chavan 41, Dheeraj Gowda 3/38) bt Karnataka 226 in 42.1 overs (Siddharth Akhil 34, Dheeraj Gowda 41, Hardik Raj 72, Gaurov Shanbhag 36, Yogesh Chavan 4/49, Shubham Kadam 3/26).

Mayank.

Mayank triumphs

Mayank Karthik and Karan Seshadri emerged the junior billiards winner and runner-up respectively at the State-ranking billiards and snooker tournament here.

The results (semifinals league): Mayank Karthik bt Karan 217-183; Zubin Zaheer bt Herrick Darin 297–219; Mayank bt Herrick 440–128; Karan bt Zubin 157–149; Karan bt Herrick 244–117; Mayank bt Zubin 303–189.

Bengaluru FC squeaks into the final

Bengaluru FC edged out Kickstart FC 5-4 on penalties to enter the final of the UrbanRise C. Puttaiah Memorial Cup here on Friday. Regulation time saw as many as ten goals before BFC emerged the winner in the shootout. In Sunday's summit clash, BFC will meet FC Agniputhra, which overcame Kodagu FC 4-2 on penalties. The sides were deadlocked at 1-1 at full-time.

The results (semifinals): FC Agniputhra 1 (Ahmed Faiz Khan 22) bt Kodagu FC 1 (Lalkrawsmawia 17) [4-2 on penalties].

Bengaluru FC 5 (C.K. Rashid 8, 70, Soham Varshneya 13, Joshua D' Silva 53, 58) bt Kickstart FC 5 (Abhishek Shankar Powar 23, G. John 27, Lenold Carol Mark 49, M.D. Rohith 55, Saikhom Borish Singh 90+1) [5-4 on penalties].

Gagan and Jyothika (both B'luru City, 100m winners).

Dasara CM Cup Games: Gagan and Jyothika emerge fastest

MYSURU: Bengaluru City's Gagan L. Gowda and Jyothika won the 100m men and women's gold with meet records on the first day of the athletic events of the Dasara CM Cup Games on Friday.

The results: Athletics (winners only): Men: 1500m: M.S. Ashrith (B'luru Rural, 4:03.67s); **100m:** Gagan L. Gowda (B'luru City, NMR, 10.85s; old: M. Gowtham, B'luru Rural, 11.14s); **400m:** B. Thushar (B'luru City, NMR, 48.73s; old: C. Mahendra, Belagavi, 48.90s); **Triple jump:** M.S. Zafar Khan (Belagavi, NMR, 14.98m; old: Self, 14.29m).

High jump: B. Chethan (B'luru City, NMR, 1.95m; old: 1.80m, A. Ravi, Mysuru); **Javelin:** Shashank Patil (Belagavi, NMR, 74.74m; old: T. Sharukh, B'luru City, 59.05m); **Discus:** Md. Saqulain (Mys, 50.52m, NMR; old: 40.41m, Mys); **4x100m:** Mysuru (41.14, NMR; old: Belagavi, 43.21s).

Women: 1500m: Pranathi (B'luru Rural, 4:44.36s, NMR; old: 4:45.68s, K.M. Archana, B'luru City); **100m:** Jyothika (B'luru City, NMR, 12.24s; old: 12.58s, H.R. Navami, Mys); **Discus:** M.N. Sushma (Mys, 42.17m,NMR; old: 37.03m, Madhurya, Mys).

Triple jump: G. Pavethra (Mys, NMR, 12.76m; old: 12.06m, N. Aishwarya, Belagavi); **400m:** M.M. Megha (Belagavi, NMR, 55.57s; old: 57.29s, M. Meghana, Belagavi); **Javelin:** Shahejahani (NMR, 40.40m; old: Self, 37.73m); **4x100m relay:** Mysuru (49.95s, NMR; old: 50.61s, Mys); **High jump:** M. Flarisha (1.63m, NMR; old: 1.44m, Joylin M Lobo, B'luru City).

Men: Football: Mysuru bt Gulbarga 3-1, B'luru Rural by B'luru City 1-0, Belagavi drew with Gulbarga 1-1.

Hockey: Mysuru bt Gulbarga 4-3, B'luru City bt Belagavi 7-2;

Throwball: B'luru City bt Gulbarga 25-6, 25-14.

Kho-kho: B'luru City bt Belagavi 16-14 (by 2 points), Mysuru bt Gulbarga 12-7 (by 5 points & one innings).

Women: Hockey: Belagavi bt B'luru City 3-0, Mysuru bt Gulbarga 16-0.

Volleyball: B'luru City bt Gulbarga 25-9, 25-3, 25-8, B'luru City bt B'luru Rural 25-16, 25-21, 25-16.

Kho-kho: B'luru City bt Belagavi 12-7 (by 5 points & an innings), Mysuru bt Gulbarga 12-8 (by 4 points & an innings).

LIVE TELECAST

Irani Cup: day 5, Sports 18-3 & JioCinema, 9.30 a.m.

Women's T20 World Cup: Star Sports 1 & Hotstar, 3.30 & 7.30 p.m.

Premier League: SS Select 1 & Hotstar, 5, 7.30 & 10 p.m.

ISL: Sports 18-3 & JioCinema, 5 & 7.30 p.m.

Global Chess League: JioCinema, 5.30 p.m. onwards

LaLiga: gxr.world, 5.30, 7.45, 10 p.m. & 12.30 a.m. (Sunday)

Serie A: gxr.world, 6.30, 9.30 p.m. & 12.15 a.m. (Sunday)

Bundesliga: Sony Sports Ten 2 & LIV, 7 & 10 p.m.

John Wick lives up to the billing in Mysore 2000 Guineas

MYSURU: James Mckeown-trained John Wick (S.J. Moulin up) won the Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club Mysore 2000 Guineas 2024, the chief event of the races held here on Friday (Oct 4). The winner is owned by M/s. Sarainaga Racing Pvt Ltd, Mr. Kersi H Vachha & Mrs. P.J. Vazifdar.

John Wick, who jumped out smartly and settled down to second place till 1,400m, took over from the leader Don Carlos near 1,200m to win by a comfortable margin from a fast finishing Bourbonaire.

THE RESULTS: 1. COORG PLATE (DIV. II): ICE STORM (M. Rajesh K) 1, Epsom Downs (Dhanu S) 2, Amazing Luck (Vinod Shinde) 3 and Gentleman's Word (S. Imran) 4. 1-1/4, Lnk and 1-3/4. 1m, 13.54s. ₹67 (w), 15, 13 and 27 (p), SHP: 33, THP: 71, FP: 163, Q: 98, Trinella: 773, Exacta: 50,912 (carried over). Favourite: Master Victory.

Owner: Mr. Babu Krishna Kishore. Trainer: Narayana Gowda.

2. COORG PLATE (DIV. I): BRILLIANT LIGHT (Kiran Rai) 1, Only A Star (Dhanu S) 2, Pette's Choice (M. Prabhakaran) 3 and D Romance (M. Rajesh K) 4. Not run: Astrologer. 7-3/4, Shd and 1. 1m, 13.03s. ₹17 (w), 11, 22 and 16 (p), SHP; 62, THP: 50, FP: 460, Q: 290, Trinella: 1,978, Exacta: 18,587. Favourite: Brilliant Light.

Owner: Mr. B.K. Reethan. Trainer: S. Ramesh.

3. JUSTICE P. MEDAPA MEMORIAL CUP: SHERPA (A. Baandal) 1, Sapient (Salman Khan) 2, Absolute Katrina (R. Pradeep) 3 and Noble Pursuit (Md. Imran Ashraf) 4. 2-1/2, 1/2 and 3-1/2. 1m, 27.81s. ₹34 (w), 15 and 20 (p), SHP: 31, THP: 28, FP: 191, Q: 169, Trinella: 618, Exacta: 3,345. Favourite: N R I Victory.

Owner: Mr. Deepak Kumar. Trainer: J.S. Pillay.

4. MAJ. SARDAR L. MAHADEVAIAH MEMORIAL TROPHY: IL VOLO (Shreyas S) 1, Art Gallery (Akshay K) 2, High Speed Dive (R. Ravi) 3 and Dabeet (A. Baandal) 4. 3-1/2, 5-1/4 and 1-1/2. 1m, 11.54s. ₹47 (w), 12, 14 and 13 (p), SHP: 31, THP: 44, FP: 111, Q: 34, Trinella: 291, Exacta: 1,465. Favourite: Art Gallery.

Rewarding a champion: John Wick's jockey S.J. Moulin receiving the winner's trophy from Dr. Abraham Thomas, left, president of the Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club as trainer James Mckeown, MRC acting chairman H.K. Ramesh, and D.V. Sridhar look on. M.A. SRIRAM

Owners: Mr. K.N. Dhunjibhoy, Mr. Z.K. Dhunjibhoy & Ms. Anosha Meyers rep. Five Stars Shipping Co Pvt Ltd, Mr. Rama Seshu Eyunni, Mr. D.R. Thacker rep. DT Racing & Breeders LLP & Ms. Anita J Captain. Trainer: S. Attaollahi.

5. JAYACHAMARAJA WADIYAR GOLF CLUB MYSORE 2000 GUINEAS 2024: JOHN WICK (WIN LEGEND-MAUN VRAT) S.J. MOULIN 1, Bourbonaire (Top Class-Confiance) Yash 2, Mandarino (Moonlight Magic-Mandara) Antony 3 and The Leader (Ampere-Je Suis) Suraj 4. 1-1/4, 1-1/2 and 1-1/4. 1m, 37.59s. ₹18 (w), 12, 15 and 14 (p), SHP: 46, THP: 46, FP: 150, Q: 126, Trinella: 739, Exacta: 1,731. Favourite: John Wick.

Owners: M/s. Sarainaga Racing Pvt Ltd, Mr. Kersi H Vachha & Mrs. P.J. Vazifdar. Trainer: James Mckeown.

6. NAINITAL PLATE: THE SIZABLE (A. Ramu) 1, Thalaivaa (Md. Sameer) 2, Wind Whistler (M. Rajesh K) 3 and Aurele (Antony) 4. 1-1/2, 2-1/2 and 1. 1m, 39.28s. ₹50 (w), 17, 24 and 26 (p), SHP: 70, THP: 56, FP: 783, Q: 490, Trinella: 4,633, Exacta: 38,291 (carried over). Favourite: Aurele.

Owners: Mr. B.S. Hitesh & Mr. Girish Byrappa. Trainer: S. Santosh Rao.

7. DUPONT PLATE: RED HILLS (Md. Sameer) 1, Dalhousie (Dhanu S) 2, D Fighter (Vinod Shinde) 3 and Mastery (Shyam K) 4. 2-1/2, 3/4 and Hd. 1m, 13.51s. ₹24 (w), 11, 15 and 25 (p), SHP: 35, THP: 40, FP: 47, Q: 24, Trinella: 185, Exacta: 1,531, Favourite: Dalhousie.

Owners: Mr. K. Rakesh Raje Urs & Mr. Rakesh Vijayakumar. Trainer: S. Ashwin Rao.

Jackpot: ₹6,042 (two tkts.); Runner-up: 1,726 (three tkts.); Mini Jackpot: 3,958 (one tkt.); Treble (i): 550 (carried over); (ii): 1,173 (three tkts.).